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Secretary of Labor
Top Hat Plan Exemption
Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration
Room N-5638
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20210

Re: Vytex Corporation Stock Appreciation Rights Plan

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of the Plan Administrator of the Vytex Corporation Stock Appreciation Rights Plan (the "Plan") and pursuant to Department of Labor Regulations section 2520.104-23, this letter serves as notice that the Plan Administrator intends to utilize the alternative form of compliance with the reporting and disclosure requirements of Part I of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

The following information is provided pursuant to Labor Regulations section 2520.104-23(b):

1. Employer's name and address:

Vytex Corporation
12210 Conway Road
Beltsville, MD 20705


2. Employer's taxpayer identification number:

52 - 1566594

3. The Employer hereby declares that it maintains the Plan primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees, that the number of employees in the Plan is 5, and that the Employer maintains no other such plans.

Pursuant to Regulations Section 2520.104-23(b)(2), the Employer will provide Plan documents, if any, to the Secretary of Labor upon request as required by Section 104(a)(1) of ERISA.

Very truly yours,



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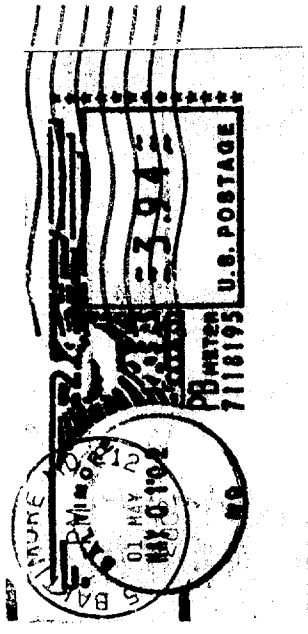
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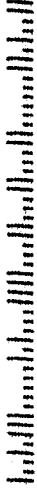
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