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CAROLINA INSTRUMENTATION CO.

Top Hat Plan Exemption
Pension & Welfare Benefits Administration
Room N - 5644
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Ave. NW
Washington, D.C. 20210

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Dear Sir:

The following is a listing of the information required under Department of Labor regulation Section 2520.104-23 whereby certain unfunded or insured pension plans may satisfy their filing requirements under Section 110 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

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| 1. Employer's Name | Carolina Instrumentation Company |
| 2. Employer's Address | Stratford at Bethesda
P.O. Box 15685
Winston-Salem, NC 27113 |
| 3. Employer's ID# | 56-1566712 |
| 4. The above employer maintains the following plan(s) primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees. | |

<u>Plan Name</u>	<u># of Employees Participating</u>
Deferred Compensation Plan for Jon Brown.	1

5. Plan Documents will be provided upon request in accordance with ERISA Section 104(a)(1).

Please contact us if you have any questions on any of the above information.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. L. Robinson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Harold L. Robinson
President

Employee Retirement Income Security Act