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By Certified Mail

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

**Re: The University Chicago
457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan
EIN: 36-2177139**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This statement is filed in accordance with the alternative method of compliance with the reporting and disclosure requirements of Part I of Title I of ERISA set forth in Department of Labor Regulations Section 2520.104-23. The University of Chicago maintains the following two plans primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees:

- The University of Chicago 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan, and
- The University of Chicago Faculty Retirement Incentive Plan.

The 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan was adopted effective January 1, 2003. There were 197 employees who entered the plan on that semi-annual entry date.

The Faculty Retirement Incentive Plan was first effective January 1, 1994. The University filed a statement with your office notifying you of this plan's adoption within the time prescribed by Department of Labor Regulations Section 2520.104-23. As of January 1, 2003, 45 employees were participating in the plan.

Please do not hesitate to contact me in writing should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely Yours,



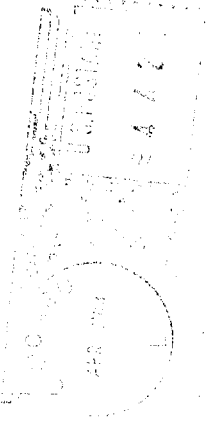
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