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MISSISSIPPI LIME COMPANY
EIN 37-0183365

In accordance with Regulation 2520.104-23(b) which exempts certain top-hat plans from the reporting and disclosure statements of Title I of ERISA, the following is provided:

1. Mississippi Lime Company
7 Alby Street
P.O. Box 2247
Alton, IL 62002-9005
2. EIN 37-0183365
3. On September 18, 2003, Mississippi Lime Company adopted two plans providing unfunded deferred compensation for certain highly compensated and select managerial employees. The plans initially cover five such employees.

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December 17, 2003

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Top Hat Plan Exemption
Employee Benefit Security Administration
U.S. Department of Labor
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Re: Mississippi Lime Company
EIN No. 37-0183365

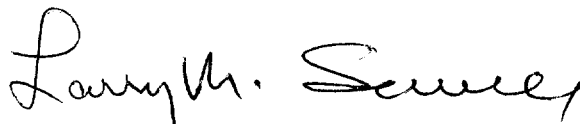
Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Regulation 2520.104-23(b), enclosed please find the statement complying with the reporting and disclosure requirement of Part 1 of ERISA with respect to two unfunded plans maintained for a select group of highly compensated and management employees adopted on September 18, 2003.

We understand that Mississippi Lime Company is exempt from filing Form 5500s with respect to these plans. If our understanding is not correct, please call or write me to discuss this matter.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,



Larry M. Sewell

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