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Re: National Health Council
1730 M Street NW
Suite 500
Washington, D.C. 20036
EIN: 13-1624107

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is a declaration that the National Health Council maintains the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan of the National Health Council (the "Plan") primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation/supplemental retirement benefits for a select group of management or highly compensated employees. The current number of active employees in the Plan is two.

Please return a date-stamped copy of this letter to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please contact me if you have any questions or require a copy of the plan referenced above.

Sincerely,

National Health Council

By:

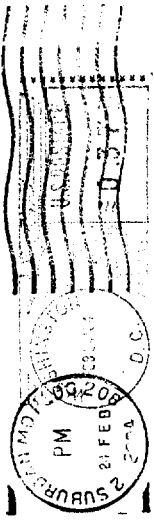
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