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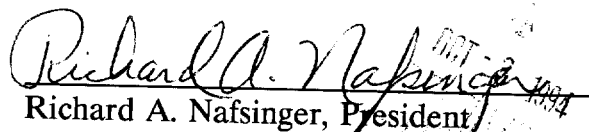
TO: Top Hat Plan Exemption
Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration
Room N-5644
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20210

FROM: Employer Name: Eagle Newspapers, Inc.
Employer Address: P.O. Box 12008
Salem, Oregon 97309
EIN: 93-0475209

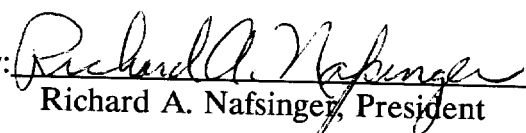
This document contains the alternative method of compliance with the reporting and disclosure requirements of part 1 of title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 for unfunded or insured pension plans maintained by an employer for a select group of management or highly compensated employees. The above named employer maintains a plan or plans primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees. The above named employer maintains one (1) plan for five (5) separate employee participants.

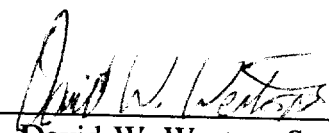
DATED this 22d day of July, 1994.

NAMED FIDUCIARY:


Richard A. Nafsinger, President

EMPLOYER:
EAGLE NEWSPAPERS, INC.

By: 
Richard A. Nafsinger, President

By: 
David W. Weston, Secretary

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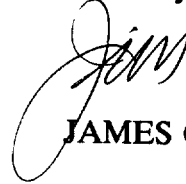
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RE: Employer Name: Eagle Newspapers, Inc.
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Sincerely,



JAMES C. GRIGGS

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Enclosure

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c: David W. Weston
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