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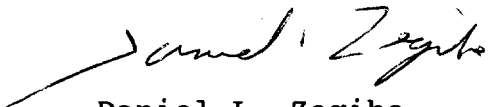
Re: The Leatherstocking Corporation Deferred Compensation and  
Executive Retirement Plan

Dear Sir or Madame:

On behalf of The Leatherstocking Corporation (EIN 13-555342),  
this is to advise, pursuant to DOL Reg. Section 2520.104-23, that  
we adopted effective April 1, 1997 and currently maintain a plan  
(The Leatherstocking Corporation Deferred Compensation and  
Executive Retirement Plan) primarily for the purpose of providing  
deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly  
compensated employees. This is the only such plan maintained by  
us and it covers only one employee.

If you require any additional information, please call me at  
(203) 321-2166.

Sincerely,



Daniel L. Zegibe  
Project Manager

cc: R. Vanison - Leatherstocking Corporation

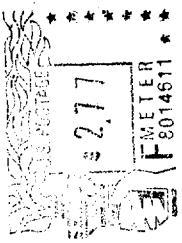
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