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Secretary of Labor
Top Hat Plan Exemption
Pension & Welfare Benefits Administration
Room N-5644
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Ave.
Washington, DC 20210

*****Via Certified Mail – Return Receipt Requested*****

RE: TSPMG Option Plan II (the "Plan")

Dear Secretary:

The Southeast Permanente Medical Group, Inc. (the "Company") is a "C" corporation, its mailing address is Nine Piedmont Center, 3495 Piedmont Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30305 and its employer identification number is 58-1635081.

The Company has established the Plan, which is a welfare benefit plan. Should the Plan be determined to be a nonqualified pension plan, the Plan should be considered as being established primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly paid employees. Forty-eight employees participate in the Plan.

This information is pursuant to 20 C.F.R. 2520.104-23 to satisfy the reporting and disclosure requirements of Part I of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

Sincerely,



Michael F. Doherty
Associate Medical Director – Business Affairs

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