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February 9, 2001

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Department of Labor Regulation 2520.104-23, the following information is being provided regarding a nonqualified Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan sponsored by our organization for a select group of management.

1. Name of the employer: Erste Bank
2. Mailing address of the employer: 280 Park Avenue, 32 West, New York, NY 10017
3. Employer's Federal Identification Number (EIN): 52-2078193
4. Number of plans maintained: One
5. Number of participants in each plan: Six
6. Date plan was implemented: December 12, 2000

We will provide plan documents upon request in accordance with ERISA Section 104(a)(1).

Please contact me if you have any questions on any of the above information.

Sincerely,

Sandra Peterson
First Vice President
Plan Administrator

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