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March 6, 1997

Top Hat Plan Exemption
Pension and Welfare
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Room N-5644
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20210

Dear Sir or Madam

Re: **IDEX CORPORATION**
1996 DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN FOR OFFICERS

Pursuant to Department of Labor Regulation Section 2520.104-23, this statement is filed with respect to the above plan for purposes of satisfaction of the reporting and disclosure requirements of Part 1 of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. IDEX Corporation maintains the IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers, an unfunded deferred compensation plan for a select group of management or highly compensated employees. The following information is included as a part of this statement:

1. The name and address of the employer are:

IDEX Corporation
630 Dundee Road - Suite 400
Northbrook, IL 60062
2. The employer's identification number (EIN) assigned by IRS is:
35-355336
3. The employer maintains a plan primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management

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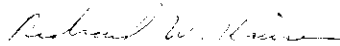
or highly compensated employees, known as the IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers. There are 9 employees covered under the IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers. The coverage number is accurate as of March 1, 1997, and the number of employees covered after that date may change.

4. The IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers was executed on December 12, 1996 with an effective date of September 24, 1996.

A copy of the Plan document is available upon request as required under Section 104(a)(1) of ERISA.

This statement is respectfully submitted on behalf of the employer and the administrator of the plan by the undersigned as its attorney.

Very truly yours,



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Dear Sir or Madam

Re: IDEX CORPORATION 1996 DEFERRED
COMPENSATION PLAN FOR NON-OFFICER PRESIDENTS

Pursuant to Department of Labor Regulation Section 2520.104-23, this statement is filed with respect to the above plan for purposes of satisfaction of the reporting and disclosure requirements of Part 1 of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. IDEX Corporation maintains the IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Officer Presidents, an unfunded deferred compensation plan for a select group of management or highly compensated employees. The following information is included as a part of this statement:

1. The name and address of the employer are:

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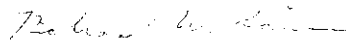
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3. The employer maintains a plan primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees, known as the IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Officer Presidents. There are 8 employees covered under the IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Officer Presidents . The coverage number is accurate as of March 1, 1997, and the number of employees covered after that date may change.
4. The IDEX Corporation 1996 Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Officer Presidents was executed on December 12, 1996 with an effective date of September 24, 1996.

A copy of the Plan document is available upon request as required under Section 104(a)(1) of ERISA.

This statement is respectfully submitted on behalf of the employer and the administrator of the plan by the undersigned as its attorney.

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