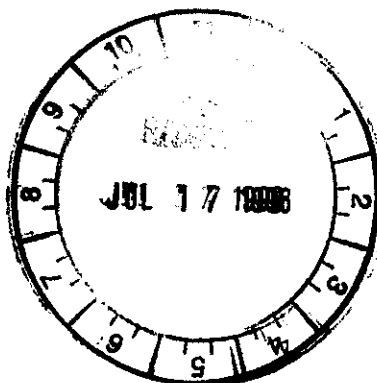


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July 11, 1996



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

Dear Sir or Madam:

Aristech Chemical Corporation hereby supplies the following information pursuant to Department of Labor Regulation S2520.104-23:

A. Name and Address of Employer:

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B. Employer Identification Number: 25-1534498


C. Aristech Chemical Corporation maintains the following plans for a select group of management or highly compensated employees:

1. Name of Plan: Aristech Chemical Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan  
Number of Participants: 6
2. Name of Plan: Aristech Chemical Corporation 1996 Supplemental Pension Plan  
Number of Participants: 6

The plans, which were authorized by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors on February 21, 1996, became effective in their current form on May 1, 1996. This notice is being filed within the 120 days of adoption, therefore, no penalties are applicable.

Very truly yours,

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By:   
Senior Vice President &  
General Counsel and Secretary

