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# TRADITIONAL IRA PLAN

# **Establishment Documents**

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# FINANCIAL INSTITUTION INFORMATION

Name:

Address:

The above-named Financial Institution facilitates the establishment of your Traditional or SEP Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA), serves as the depository of the funds you deposit into your Traditional or SEP IRA, maintains your Plan investments, and plays a significant role in the administration of your Traditional or SEP IRA.

As Trustee of your Traditional or SEP IRA, LT Trust Company (LT Trust), monitors this Plan document to ensure its compliance with applicable laws. The Trustee does not, however, engage in the daily administration of your Plan or in the relationship between you and your chosen Financial Institution.

Your chosen Financial Institution also shares in many of the same duties as the Trustee. Because of the relationship between your Trustee and your chosen Financial Institution, most of the references to Trustee in this booklet also carry with them an implied reference to your chosen Financial Institution.

**Notice:** If you are the Participant of this Traditional or SEP IRA who is participating in a self-directed IRA, your investments in the deposit accounts (including money market, certificates of deposit and savings accounts) of your chosen financial institution (including Credit Unions and Savings and Loans), are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or the National Credit Union Association (NCUA), subject to their rules and regulations. Your self-directed investments, however, may not be insured by the FDIC or the NCUA. Self-directed investments may include stocks, bonds, mutual funds, etc.



FACTS	WHAT DOES the EdgeCo Group of Companies and Associates DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?						
Why?	Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.						
What?	The types of personal information we have with us. This information can inc		ne product or service you				
	<ul> <li>Social Security number and name</li> <li>financial information and investm</li> <li>suitability information and investm</li> </ul>	ent objectives					
	When you are <i>no longer</i> our customer notice.	r, we continue to share your info	ormation as described in this				
How?	All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons EdgeCo chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.						
Reasons we can	share your personal information	Does EdgeCo share?	Can you limit this sharing?				
such as to proces your account(s), r	<b>business purposes—</b> s your transactions, maintain espond to court orders and legal report to credit bureaus	YES	NO				
For our marketing to offer our produce	ig purposes— cts and services to you	YES	NO				
For joint marketi	ng with other financial companies	NO	N/A				
	'everyday business purposes— your transactions and experiences	YES	NO				
	<b>' everyday business purposes—</b> your creditworthiness	NO	N/A				
For nonaffiliates	to market to you	NO	N/A				

Questions? Call 800-693-780

Call 800-693-7800 or go to www.macg.com

Who is providing this notice?	NewEdge Securities, Inc, NewEdge Advisors, LLC, Mid Atlantic Trust Company, American Trust Company, AT Retirement Services, LLC, AT Insurance, LLC, LPA Insurance Agency, Inc., and NewEdge Wealth LLC (for additional Companies see below).
What we do	
How does EdgeCo protect my personal information?	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings.
How does EdgeCo collect my personal information?	We collect your personal information, for example, when you
	<ul> <li>open an account or transfer an account</li> <li>update your account or transact in your account</li> <li>or from your representative regarding your preferences.</li> </ul>
Why can't I limit all sharing?	Federal law gives you the right to limit only
	<ul> <li>sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes—information about your creditworthiness</li> <li>affiliates from using your information to market to you</li> <li>sharing for nonaffiliates to market to you</li> </ul>
	State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.
Definitions	
Affiliates	<ul> <li>Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.</li> <li>EdgeCo Buyer, Inc.; GUA/Uniontown Capital Corp.; Mid Atlantic Capital Group, Inc.; Mid Atlantic Clearing &amp; Settlement Corporation; NewEdge Capital Group, LLC and New Edge Wealth Holdings L.P</li> </ul>
Nonaffiliates	Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.
	<ul> <li>Our nonaffiliated service providers are obligated to keep the personal information we share with them confidential and use it only to provide services specified by EdgeCo. **</li> </ul>
Joint marketing	A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.
	<ul> <li>EdgeCo does not share personal information with unaffiliated third parties for use in marketing their products or services.</li> </ul>

Other important information \*\* If you conduct business with EdgeCo through a nonaffiliated investment professional, we may exchange information that we collect with your investment professional or with others they may authorize. Branch Name or Number

Institution ID #

# TRADITIONAL/SEP IRA ADOPTION AGREEMENT AND DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES FOR OPENING A NEW ACCOUNT

Note: Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account.

GENERAL INFORMATION (please)	orint or type)					
Participant Name						
Physical Address						
City		State	Zip			
Social Security Number (SSN)		Date of Birth				
Phone Number	Ext					
<b>TYPE OF IRA</b> (check one box only)						
Traditional IRA SEP IR/	A 🔲 Rollover IRA	Inherited IRA				
Opening Balance \$	Account Number		Effective Year			
Contribution Type: (check only one box Annual Contribution (including annu 60-Day Rollover from a Traditional	al Catch-Up Contribution if a	applicable)	Trustee Transfer from a Traditional IRA Plan 🔲 Inherited IRA			
COMPLETE THIS PORTION FOR	AN INHERITED IRA ACCO	UNT ONLY:				
Deceased Participant Name		Deceased Date of	Birth			
Deceased Social Security Number		Deceased Date of Death				
Beneficiary Name (the individual establ	ishing this account)					
Social Security Number		Date of Birth				
Physical Address						
City/State/Zip						
*Home Telephone	Ext	Business Telephone	Ext			
Email Address						
Relationship to Deceased Account Ow	ner 🗋 Spouse 🗋	Non-Spouse 🔲 Trust				
<b>BENEFICIARY INFORMATION</b>						
I hereby designate the following person terms of the plan and trust agreement Attach additional pages if necessar	Article VIII, hereby revoking		y interest in this IRA according to the by me.			
PRIMARY BENEFICIARIES						
Full Name		Date	of Birth			
Address						
Percentage % Relat	ionship		SSN			
Full Name		Date	of Birth			

#### TRADITIONAL IRA ADOPTION AGREEMENT & DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

Address				
Percentage	%	Relationship	SSN	
Full Name			Date of Birth	
Address				
Percentage	%	Relationship	SSN	
SPOUSAL CONS	SENT (for u	ise in community property states)		

If applicable, this section must be signed and dated by the spouse of the Account Owner:

1. If the Account Owner is married and has designated any Primary Beneficiary other than his/her spouse; and

2. If the Account Owner's plan includes or will include property in which his/her spouse possesses a community property interest or other type of property interest. (As of this printing the community property states are Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Washington and Wisconsin. Please consult with your legal advisor to ensure this satisfies the laws of your state.)

I, the undersigned spouse of the Account Owner named above, hereby consent to and accept the beneficiary designation without regard to whether I survive or predecease my spouse.

Spouse Signature	×	Date	
CONTINGENT B		RIES	
Full Name			Date of Birth
Address			
Percentage	%	Relationship	SSN
Full Name			Date of Birth
Address			
Percentage	%	Relationship	SSN
Full Name			Date of Birth
Address			
Percentage	%	Relationship	SSN

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS** (refer to Plan and Trust Agreement for complete provisions)

- Except as otherwise provided in the designation above, the balance of my Traditional/SEP IRA shall be paid upon my death to those Primary Beneficiaries who survive my death and the Contingent Beneficiaries will have no interest in the IRA, and those Primary Beneficiaries will have the right to name their own beneficiaries for any IRA assets remaining upon the death of the Primary Beneficiary.
- If no Primary Beneficiary survives my death, the balance of the IRA shall be payable in equal shares to those Contingent Beneficiaries who survive my death, and those Contingent Beneficiaries will have the right to name their own beneficiaries for any IRA assets remaining upon the death of the Contingent Beneficiary.
- 3. If no Primary or Contingent Beneficiaries survive me, the balance in the Traditional IRA shall be paid upon my death to my spouse or, if no spouse survives me, to the personal representative of my estate.
- 4. If my spouse is named as my Sole Primary Beneficiary, my spouse may elect to treat the IRA as their own.
- 5. The terms of the Trust Agreement, including any Amendments thereto that may hereafter be made, are controlling over these General Provisions and shall always govern all of my rights, the rights of my spouse and all Beneficiaries, and the rights of all persons claiming through any of them.

#### ACCOUNT TITLE

The IRA will be titled as follows:

LT Trust Trustee FBO\*

(insert participant's name) \*

FBO = For the Benefit Of

#### TRADITIONAL INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ARRANGEMENT DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

#### ADOPTION OF PLAN AND SIGNATURES

I, the undersigned Participant, make the following declarations:

I hereby establish a Traditional Individual Retirement Arrangement (Traditional IRA) under the Traditional IRA Plan and Trust Agreement which is incorporated with this Adoption Agreement by this reference. I designate LT Trust as the Trustee of this Traditional IRA and make the following declarations.

I have received a copy of the Plan and Trust Agreement/Disclosure Booklet, and a schedule of fees and/or charges from the financial institution that is acting as the custodian of my Traditional IRA. I have read the Plan and Trust Agreement and Disclosure Booklet and understand that I may revoke this Traditional IRA, in writing, at any time within seven (7) calendar days after the date of this Adoption Agreement.

I understand the eligibility requirements for the type of Traditional IRA deposit I am making and I state that I do qualify to make the deposit. I acknowledge that I am fully responsible for determining whether I am eligible to participate in a Traditional IRA and whether and to what extent I am otherwise entitled to favorable tax treatment by reason of my participation in this Traditional IRA, to the best of my knowledge, the information furnished above is correct and complete.

Signature of Participant ×

Date

## INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT TRUST ACCOUNT AGREEMENT

Form 5305 under section 408(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The grantor named on the application is establishing a Traditional individual retirement account under section 408(a) to provide for his or her retirement and for the support of his or her beneficiaries after death.

The trustee named on the application has given the grantor the disclosure statement required by Regulations section 1.408-6.

The grantor has assigned the trust account the sum indicated on the application.

The grantor and the trustee make the following agreement:

#### **ARTICLE I**

Except in the case of a rollover contribution described in section 402(c), 403(a)(4), 403(b)(8), 408(d)(3), or 457(e)(16), an employer contribution to a simplified employee pension plan as described in section 408(k) or a recharacterized contribution described in section 408A(d)(6), the trustee will accept only cash contributions up to \$5,500 per year for tax years 2013 through 2017. For individuals who have reached the age of 50 by the end of the year, the contribution limit is increased to \$6,500 per year for tax years 2013 through 2017. For years after 2017, these limits will be increased to reflect a cost-of-living adjustment, if any.

#### **ARTICLE II**

The grantor's interest in the balance in the trust account is nonforfeitable.

#### **ARTICLE III**

- 1. No part of the trust account funds may be invested in life insurance contracts, nor may the assets of the trust account be commingled with other property except in a common trust fund or common investment fund (within the meaning of section 408(a)(5)).
- 2. No part of the trust account funds may be invested in collectibles (within the meaning of section 408(m)) except as otherwise permitted by section 408(m)(3), which provides an exception for certain gold, silver, and platinum coins, coins issued under the laws of any state, and certain bullion.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

- Notwithstanding any provision of this agreement to the contrary, the distribution of the grantor's interest in the trust account shall be made in accordance with the following requirements and shall otherwise comply with section 408(a)(6) and the regulations thereunder, the provisions of which are herein incorporated by reference.
- 2. The grantor's entire interest in the trust account must be, or begin to be, distributed not later than the grantor's required beginning date, April 1 following the calendar year in which the grantor reaches age 70½. By that date, the grantor may elect, in a manner acceptable to the trustee, to have the balance in the trust account distributed in: (a) A single sum or (b) Payments over a period not longer than the life of the grantor or the joint lives of the grantor and his or her designated beneficiary.
- 3. If the grantor dies before his or her entire interest is distributed to him or her, the remaining interest will be distributed as follows:
  - (a) If the grantor dies on or after the required beginning date and:
    - (i) the designated beneficiary is the grantor's surviving spouse, the remaining interest will be distributed over the surviving spouse's life expectancy as determined each year until such spouse's death, or over the period in paragraph (a)(iii) below if longer. Any interest remaining after the spouse's death will be distributed over such spouse's remaining life expectancy as determined in the year of the spouse's death and reduced by

one for each subsequent year, or, if distributions are being made over the period in paragraph (a)(iii) below, over such period.

- (ii) the designated beneficiary is not the grantor's surviving spouse, the remaining interest will be distributed over the beneficiary's remaining life expectancy as determined in the year following the death of the grantor and reduced by one for each subsequent year, or over the period in paragraph (a)(iii) below if longer.
- (iii) there is no designated beneficiary, the remaining interest will be distributed over the remaining life expectancy of the grantor as determined in the year of the grantor's death and reduced by one for each subsequent year.
- (b) If the grantor dies before the required beginning date, the remaining interest will be distributed in accordance with paragraph(i) below or, if elected or there is no designated beneficiary, in accordance with paragraph (ii) below.
  - (i) The remaining interest will be distributed in accordance with paragraphs (a)(i) and (a)(ii) above (but not over the period in paragraph (a)(iii), even if longer), starting by the end of the calendar year following the year of the grantor's death. If, however, the designated beneficiary is the grantor's surviving spouse, then this distribution is not required to begin before the end of the calendar year in which the grantor would have reached age 70½. But, in such case, if the grantor's surviving spouse dies before distributions are required to begin, then the remaining interest will be distributed in accordance with paragraph (a)(ii) above (but not over the period in paragraph (a)(iii), even if longer), over such spouse's designated beneficiary's life expectancy, or in accordance with paragraph (ii) below if there is no such designated beneficiary.
  - (ii) The remaining interest will be distributed by the end of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the grantor's death.
- 4. If the grantor dies before his or her entire interest has been distributed and if the designated beneficiary is not the grantor's surviving spouse, no additional contributions may be accepted in the account.
- 5. The minimum amount that must be distributed each year, beginning with the year containing the grantor's required beginning date, is known as the "required minimum distribution" and is determined as follows.
  - (a) The required minimum distribution under paragraph 2(b) for any year, beginning with the year the grantor reaches age 70½, is the grantor's account value at the close of business on December 31 of the preceding year divided by the distribution period in the uniform lifetime table in Regulations section 1.401(a)(9)-9. However, if the grantor's designated beneficiary is his or her surviving spouse, the required minimum distribution for a year shall not be more than the grantor's account value at the close of business on December 31 of the preceding year divided by the number in the joint and last survivor table in Regulations section 1.401(a)(9)-9. The required minimum distribution for a year under this paragraph (a) is determined using the grantor's (or, if applicable, the grantor and spouse's) attained age (or ages) in the year.

- (b) The required minimum distribution under paragraphs 3(a) and 3(b)(i) for a year, beginning with the year following the year of the grantor's death (or the year the grantor would have reached age 70½, if applicable under paragraph 3(b)(i)) is the account value at the close of business on December 31 of the preceding year divided by the life expectancy (in the single life table in Regulations section 1.401(a)(9)-9) of the individual specified in such paragraphs 3(a) and 3(b)(i).
- (c) The required minimum distribution for the year the grantor reaches age 70½ can be made as late as April 1 of the following year. The required minimum distribution for any other year must be made by the end of such year.
- 6. The owner of two or more Traditional IRAs may satisfy the minimum distribution requirements described above by taking from one Traditional IRA the amount required to satisfy the requirement for another in accordance with the regulations under section 408(a)(6).

#### **ARTICLE V**

- 1. The grantor agrees to provide the trustee with all information necessary to prepare any reports required by section 408(i) and Regulations sections 1.408-5 and 1.408-6.
- 2. The trustee agrees to submit to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and grantor the reports prescribed by the IRS.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

Notwithstanding any other articles which may be added or incorporated, the provisions of Articles I through III and this sentence will be controlling. Any additional articles inconsistent with section 408(a) and the related regulations will be invalid.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

This agreement will be amended as necessary to comply with the provisions of the Code and the related regulations. Other amendments may be made with the consent of the persons whose signatures appear on the application.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

- 8.01 Definitions In this part of this agreement (Article VIII), the words "you" and "your" mean the grantor. The words "we," "us," and "our" mean the trustee. The word "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code, and "regulations" means the Treasury regulations.
- 8.02 Notices and Change of Address Any required notice regarding this IRA will be considered effective when we send it to the intended recipient at the last address that we have in our records. Any notice to be given to us will be considered effective when we actually receive it. You, or the intended recipient, must notify us of any change of address.
- Representations and Responsibilities You represent and warrant 8.03 to us that any information you have given or will give us with respect to this agreement is complete and accurate. Further, you agree that any directions you give us or action you take will be proper under this agreement, and that we are entitled to rely upon any such information or directions. If we fail to receive directions from you regarding any transaction, if we receive ambiguous directions regarding any transaction, or if we, in good faith, believe that any transaction requested is in dispute, we reserve the right to take no action until further clarification acceptable to us is received from you or the appropriate government or judicial authority. We will not be responsible for losses of any kind that may result from your directions to us or your actions or failures to act, and you agree to reimburse us for any loss we may incur as a result of such directions, actions, or failures to act. We will not be responsible for any penalties, taxes, judgments, or expenses you incur in connection

with your IRA. We have no duty to determine whether your contributions or distributions comply with the Code, regulations, rulings, or this agreement.

We may permit you to appoint, through written notice acceptable to us, an authorized agent to act on your behalf with respect to this agreement (e.g., attorney-in-fact, executor, administrator, investment manager), but we have no duty to determine the validity of such appointment or any instrument appointing such authorized agent. We will not be responsible for losses of any kind that may result from directions, actions, or failures to act by your authorized agent, and you agree to reimburse us for any loss we may incur as a result of such directions, actions, or failures to act by your authorized agent.

You will have 60 days after you receive any documents, statements, or other information from us to notify us in writing of any errors or inaccuracies reflected in these documents, statements, or other information. If you do not notify us within 60 days, the documents, statements, or other information will be deemed correct and accurate, and we will have no further liability or obligation for such documents, statements, other information, or the transactions described therein.

By performing services under this agreement we are acting as your agent. Unless section 8.06(b) of this agreement applies, you acknowledge and agree that nothing in this agreement will be construed as conferring fiduciary status upon us. We will not be required to perform any additional services unless specifically agreed to under the terms and conditions of this agreement, or as required under the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to IRAs. You agree to indemnify and hold us harmless for any and all claims, actions, proceedings, damages, judgments, liabilities, costs, and expenses, including attorney's fees arising from or in connection with this agreement.

To the extent written instructions or notices are required under this agreement, we may accept or provide such information in any other form permitted by the Code or applicable regulations including, but not limited to, electronic communication.

- 8.04 **Disclosure of Account Information** We may use agents and/or subcontractors to assist in administering your IRA. We may release nonpublic personal information regarding your IRA to such providers as necessary to provide the products and services made available under this agreement, and to evaluate our business operations and analyze potential product, service, or process improvements.
- 8.05 Service Fees We have the right to charge an annual service fee or other designated fees (e.g., a transfer, rollover, or termination fee) for maintaining your IRA. In addition, we have the right to be reimbursed for all reasonable expenses, including legal expenses, we incur in connection with the administration of your IRA. We may charge you separately for any fees or expenses, or we may deduct the amount of the fees or expenses from the assets in your IRA at our discretion. We reserve the right to charge any additional fee after giving you 30 days' notice. Fees such as subtransfer agent fees or commissions may be paid to us by third parties for assistance in performing certain transactions with respect to this IRA.

Any brokerage commissions attributable to the assets in your IRA will be charged to your IRA. You cannot reimburse your IRA for those commissions.

#### 8.06 Investment of Amounts in the IRA -

a. Grantor Management of Investment. Unless the IRA or a portion of the IRA is a managed IRA, you have exclusive responsibility for and control over the investment of the assets of your IRA. All transactions will be subject to any and all restrictions or limitations, direct or indirect, that are imposed by our charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws; any and all applicable federal and state laws and regulations; the rules, regulations, customs, and usages of any exchange, market, or clearing house where the transaction is executed; our policies and practices; and this agreement. After your death, your beneficiaries will have the right to direct the investment of your IRA assets, subject to the same conditions that applied to you during your lifetime under this agreement (including, without limitation, section 8.03 of this article). We will have no discretion to direct any investment in your IRA. We assume no responsibility for rendering investment advice with respect to your IRA, nor will we offer any opinion or judgment to you on matters concerning the value or suitability of any investment or proposed investment for your IRA. In the absence of instructions from you, or if your instructions are not in a form acceptable to us, we will have the right to hold any uninvested amounts in cash, and we will have no responsibility to invest uninvested cash unless and until directed by you. We will not exercise the voting rights and other shareholder rights with respect to investments in your IRA unless you provide timely written directions acceptable to us.

You will select the investment for your IRA assets from those investments that we are authorized by our charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws to offer and do in fact offer for IRAs (e.g., term share accounts, passbook accounts, certificates of deposit, money market accounts). We may, in our sole discretion, make available to you, additional investment offerings, that will be limited to publicly-traded securities, mutual funds, money market instruments, and other investments that are obtainable by us and that we are capable of holding in the ordinary course of our business.

b. Trustee Management of Investment. If any portion of this IRA is a managed IRA, as indicated on the application or any other supporting documentation, we will manage the investment of the applicable IRA assets. Accordingly, we can manage, sell, contract to sell, grant, or exercise options to purchase, convey, exchange, transfer, abandon, improve, repair, insure, lease for any term, and otherwise deal with all property, real or personal, in your IRA in such manner, for such prices and on such terms and conditions as we will decide.

We will have the power to do any of the following as we deem necessary or advisable.

- 1. To invest your IRA assets in a single trust fund, and to collect the income without distinction between principal and income
- To invest your IRA assets in a common trust fund or common investment fund within the meaning of Code section 408(a)(5)
- 3. To invest your IRA assets into savings instruments that we offer
- 4. To invest your IRA assets in any other type of investment permitted by law, including, but not limited to, common or preferred stock, open- or closed-end mutual funds, bonds, notes, debentures, options, U.S. Treasury bills, commercial paper, or real estate
- 5. To hold any securities or other property under this agreement in our own name, in the name of a nominee, or in bearer form

- 6. To make, execute, acknowledge, and deliver any and all documents of transfer and conveyance (including documents for the transfer and conveyance of real estate), and any and all instruments that may be necessary or appropriate to carry out our powers
- 7. To employ suitable agents, attorneys, or other persons
- To enter into lawsuits or settle any claims concerning the assets in your IRA, and to be reimbursed for any expenses or damages from you or your IRA assets
- 9. To exercise the voting rights and other shareholder rights with respect to securities in your IRA, provided, however, that we reserve the right to enter into a separate agreement with you governing the exercise of voting and other shareholder rights
- 10. To perform any and all acts that we deem necessary or appropriate for the proper administration of your IRA

All of the foregoing notwithstanding, our powers will be subject to any and all restrictions or limitations, direct or indirect, that are imposed by our charter, articles of incorporation, or bylaws; any and all applicable federal and state laws and regulations; the rules, regulations, customs, and usages of any exchange, market, or clearing house where the transaction is executed; our policies and practices; and this agreement.

8.07 **Beneficiaries** – If you die before you receive all of the amounts in your IRA, payments from your IRA will be made to your beneficiaries. We have no obligation to pay to your beneficiaries until such time we are notified of your death by receiving a valid death certificate.

You may designate one or more persons or entities as beneficiary of your IRA. This designation can only be made on a form provided by or acceptable to us, and it will only be effective when it is filed with us during your lifetime. Each beneficiary designation you file with us will cancel all previous designations. The consent of your beneficiaries will not be required for you to revoke a beneficiary designation. If you have designated both primary and contingent beneficiaries and no primary beneficiary survives you, the contingent beneficiaries will acquire the designated share of your IRA. If you do not designate a beneficiary or if all of your primary and contingent beneficiaries predecease you, your estate will be the beneficiary.

A spouse beneficiary will have all rights as granted under the Code or applicable regulations to treat your IRA as his or her own.

We may allow, if permitted by state law, an original IRA beneficiary (the beneficiary who is entitled to receive distributions from an inherited IRA at the time of your death) to name successor beneficiaries for the inherited IRA. This designation can only be made on a form provided by or acceptable to us, and it will only be effective when it is filed with us during the original IRA beneficiary's lifetime. Each beneficiary designation form that the original IRA beneficiary files with us will cancel all previous designations. The consent of a successor beneficiary will not be required for the original IRA beneficiary to revoke a successor beneficiary designation. If the original IRA beneficiary does not designate a successor beneficiary, his or her estate will be the successor beneficiary. In no event will the successor beneficiary be able to extend the distribution period beyond that required for the original IRA beneficiary.

If we so choose, for any reason (e.g., due to limitations of our charter or bylaws), we may require that a beneficiary of a deceased IRA owner take total distribution of all IRA assets by December 31 of the year following the year of death.

8.08 **Required Minimum Distributions** – Your required minimum distribution is calculated using the uniform lifetime table in Regulations section 1.401(a)(9)-9. However, if your spouse is your sole designated beneficiary and is more than 10 years younger than you, your required minimum distribution is calculated each year using the joint and last survivor table in Regulations section 1.401(a)(9)-9.

If you fail to request your required minimum distribution by your required beginning date, we can, at our complete and sole discretion, do any one of the following.

- Make no distribution until you give us a proper withdrawal request
- Distribute your entire IRA to you in a single sum payment
- Determine your required minimum distribution from your IRA each year based on your life expectancy, calculated using the uniform lifetime table in Regulations section 1.401(a)(9)-9, and pay those distributions to you until you direct otherwise

We will not be liable for any penalties or taxes related to your failure to take a required minimum distribution.

8.09 Termination of Agreement, Resignation, or Removal of Trustee – Either party may terminate this agreement at any time by giving written notice to the other. We can resign as trustee at any time effective 30 days after we send written notice of our resignation to you. Upon receipt of that notice, you must make arrangements to transfer your IRA to another financial organization. If you do not complete a transfer of your IRA within 30 days from the date we send the notice to you, we have the right to transfer your IRA assets to a successor IRA trustee or custodian that we choose in our sole discretion, or we may pay your IRA to you in a single sum. We will not be liable for any actions or failures to act on the part of any successor trustee or custodian, nor for any tax consequences you may incur that result from the transfer or distribution of your assets pursuant to this section.

If this agreement is terminated, we may charge to your IRA a reasonable amount of money that we believe is necessary to cover any associated costs, including but not limited to one or more of the following.

- Any fees, expenses, or taxes chargeable against your IRA
- Any penalties or surrender charges associated with the early withdrawal of any savings instrument or other investment in your IRA

If we are a nonbank trustee required to comply with Regulations section 1.408-2(e) and we fail to do so or we are not keeping the records, making the returns, or sending the statements as are required by forms or regulations, the IRS may require us to substitute another trustee or custodian.

We may establish a policy requiring distribution of the entire balance of your IRA to you in cash or property if the balance of your IRA drops below the minimum balance required under the applicable investment or policy established.

8.10 Successor Trustee – If our organization changes its name, reorganizes, merges with another organization (or comes under the control of any federal or state agency), or if our entire organization (or any portion that includes your IRA) is bought by another organization, that organization (or agency) will automatically become the trustee or custodian of your IRA, but only if it is the type of organization authorized to serve as an IRA trustee or custodian.

- 8.11 **Amendments** We have the right to amend this agreement at any time. Any amendment we make to comply with the Code and related regulations does not require your consent. You will be deemed to have consented to any other amendment unless, within 30 days from the date we send the amendment, you notify us in writing that you do not consent.
- 8.12 Withdrawals or Transfers All requests for withdrawal or transfer will be in writing on a form provided by or acceptable to us. The method of distribution must be specified in writing or in any other method acceptable to us. The tax identification number of the recipient must be provided to us before we are obligated to make a distribution. Withdrawals will be subject to all applicable tax and other laws and regulations, including but not limited to possible early distribution penalty taxes, surrender charges, and withholding requirements.
- 8.13 **Transfers From Other Plans** We can receive amounts transferred to this IRA from the trustee or custodian of another IRA. In addition, we can accept rollovers of eligible rollover distributions from employer-sponsored retirement plans as permitted by the Code. We reserve the right not to accept any transfer or direct rollover.
- 8.14 Liquidation of Assets We have the right to liquidate assets in your IRA if necessary to make distributions or to pay fees, expenses, taxes, penalties, or surrender charges properly chargeable against your IRA. If you fail to direct us as to which assets to liquidate, we will decide, in our complete and sole discretion, and you agree to not hold us liable for any adverse consequences that result from our decision.
- 8.15 **Restrictions on the Fund** Neither you nor any beneficiary may sell, transfer, or pledge any interest in your IRA in any manner whatsoever, except as provided by law or this agreement.

The assets in your IRA will not be responsible for the debts, contracts, or torts of any person entitled to distributions under this agreement.

8.16 What Law Applies – This agreement is subject to all applicable federal and state laws and regulations. If it is necessary to apply any state law to interpret and administer this agreement, the law of our domicile will govern.

If any part of this agreement is held to be illegal or invalid, the remaining parts will not be affected. Neither your nor our failure to enforce at any time or for any period of time any of the provisions of this agreement will be construed as a waiver of such provisions, or your right or our right thereafter to enforce each and every such provision.

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### **PURPOSE OF FORM**

Form 5305 is a model trust account agreement that meets the requirements of section 408(a). However, only Articles I through VII have been reviewed by the IRS. A Traditional individual retirement account (Traditional IRA) is established after the form is fully executed by both the individual (grantor) and the trustee. To make a regular contribution to a Traditional IRA for a year, the IRA must be established no later than the due date (excluding extensions) of the individual's income tax return for the tax year. This account must be created in the United States for the exclusive benefit of the grantor and his or her beneficiaries.

Do not file Form 5305 with the IRS. Instead, keep it with your records.

For more information on IRAs, including the required disclosures the trustee must give the grantor, see Pub. 590-A, *Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, and Pub. 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*.

#### DEFINITIONS

**Trustee** – The trustee must be a bank or savings and loan association, as defined in section 408(n), or any person who has the approval of the IRS to act as trustee.

Grantor – The grantor is the person who establishes the trust account.

#### TRADITIONAL IRA FOR NONWORKING SPOUSE

Form 5305 may be used to establish the IRA trust for a nonworking spouse.

Contributions to an IRA trust account for a nonworking spouse must be made to a separate IRA trust account established by the nonworking spouse.

## **DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

#### **RIGHT TO REVOKE YOUR IRA**

You have the right to revoke your IRA within seven days of the receipt of the disclosure statement. If revoked, you are entitled to a full return of the contribution you made to your IRA. The amount returned to you would not include an adjustment for such items as sales commissions, administrative expenses, or fluctuation in market value. You may make this revocation only by mailing or delivering a written notice to the trustee at the address listed on the application.

If you send your notice by first class mail, your revocation will be deemed mailed as of the postmark date.

If you have any questions about the procedure for revoking your IRA, please call the trustee at the telephone number listed on the application.

#### **REQUIREMENTS OF AN IRA**

- A. **Cash Contributions** Your contribution must be in cash, unless it is a rollover contribution.
- B. Maximum Contribution The total amount you may contribute to an IRA for any taxable year cannot exceed the lesser of 100 percent of your compensation or \$6,000 for 2019 and 2020, with possible cost-of-living adjustments each year thereafter. If you also maintain a Roth IRA (i.e., an IRA subject to the limits of Internal Revenue Code Section (IRC Sec.) 408A), the maximum contribution to your Traditional IRAs is reduced by any contributions you make to your Roth IRAs. Your total annual contribution to all Traditional IRAs and Roth IRAs cannot exceed the lesser of the dollar amounts described above or 100 percent of your compensation.
- C. **Contribution Eligibility** For tax years beginning before 2020, you are eligible to make a regular contribution to your IRA if you have compensation and have not attained age 70½ by the end of the taxable year for which the contribution is made. For 2020 and later tax years, you may make a regular contribution to your IRA at any age if you have compensation.
- D. Catch-Up Contributions If you are age 50 or older by the close of the taxable year, you may make an additional contribution to your IRA. The maximum additional contribution is \$1,000 per year.
- E. **Nonforfeitability** Your interest in your IRA is nonforfeitable.
- F. Eligible Trustees The trustee of your IRA must be a bank, savings and loan association, credit union, or a person or entity approved by the Secretary of the Treasury.

#### SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

**Article IV** – Distributions made under this article may be made in a single sum, periodic payment, or a combination of both. The distribution option should be reviewed in the year the grantor reaches age 70½ to ensure that the requirements of section 408(a)(6) have been met.

**Article VIII** – Article VIII and any that follow it may incorporate additional provisions that are agreed to by the grantor and trustee to complete the agreement. They may include, for example, definitions, investment powers, voting rights, exculpatory provisions, amendment and termination, removal of the trustee, trustee's fees, state law requirements, beginning date of distributions, accepting only cash, treatment of excess contributions, prohibited transactions with the grantor, etc. Attach additional pages if necessary.

- G. **Commingling Assets** The assets of your IRA cannot be commingled with other property except in a common trust fund or common investment fund.
- H. Life Insurance No portion of your IRA may be invested in life insurance contracts.
- I. Collectibles You may not invest the assets of your IRA in collectibles (within the meaning of IRC Sec. 408(m)). A collectible is defined as any work of art, rug or antique, metal or gem, stamp or coin, alcoholic beverage, or other tangible personal property specified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). However, specially minted United States gold and silver coins, and certain state-issued coins are permissible investments. Platinum coins and certain gold, silver, platinum, or palladium bullion (as described in IRC Sec. 408(m)(3)) are also permitted as IRA investments.
- J. **Required Minimum Distributions** You are required to take minimum distributions from your IRA at certain times in accordance with Treasury Regulation 1.408-8. Below is a summary of the IRA distribution rules.
  - 1. If you were born before July 1, 1949, you are required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA for the year in which you reach age 70½ and for each year thereafter. You must take your first distribution by your required beginning date, which is April 1 of the year following the year you attain age 70½. If you were born on or after July 1, 1949, you are required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA for the year in which you reach age 72 and for each year thereafter. You must take your first distribution by your required beginning date, which is April 1 of the year following the year you attain age 72. The minimum distribution for any taxable year is equal to the amount obtained by dividing the account balance at the end of the prior year by the applicable divisor.
  - 2. The applicable divisor generally is determined using the Uniform Lifetime Table provided by the IRS. If your spouse is your sole designated beneficiary for the entire calendar year, and is more than 10 years younger than you, the required minimum distribution is determined each year using the actual joint life expectancy of you and your spouse obtained from the Joint Life Expectancy Table provided by the IRS, rather than the life expectancy divisor from the Uniform Lifetime Table.

We reserve the right to do any one of the following by your required beginning date.

- (a) Make no distribution until you give us a proper withdrawal request
- (b) Distribute your entire IRA to you in a single sum payment
- (c) Determine your required minimum distribution each year based on your life expectancy calculated using the Uniform Lifetime Table, and pay those distributions to you until you direct otherwise

If you fail to remove a required minimum distribution, an additional penalty tax of 50 percent is imposed on the amount of the required minimum distribution that should have been taken but was not. You must file IRS Form 5329 along with your income tax return to report and remit any additional taxes to the IRS.

- K. Beneficiary Distributions Upon your death, your beneficiaries are required to take distributions according to IRC Sec. 401(a)(9) and Treasury Regulation 1.408-8. These requirements are described below.
  - 1. **Death of IRA Owner Before January 1, 2020** Your designated beneficiary is determined based on the beneficiaries designated as of the date of your death, who remain your beneficiaries as of September 30 of the year following the year of your death.

If you die on or after your required beginning date, distributions must be made to your beneficiaries over the longer of the single life expectancy of your designated beneficiaries, or your remaining life expectancy. If a beneficiary other than a person or qualified trust as defined in the Treasury Regulations is named, you will be treated as having no designated beneficiary of your IRA for purposes of determining the distribution period. If there is no designated beneficiary of your IRA, distributions will commence using your single life expectancy, reduced by one in each subsequent year.

If you die before your required beginning date, the entire amount remaining in your account will, at the election of your designated beneficiaries, either

- (a) be distributed by December 31 of the year containing the fifth anniversary of your death, or
- (b) be distributed over the remaining life expectancy of your designated beneficiaries.

If your spouse is your sole designated beneficiary, he or she must elect either option (a) or (b) by the earlier of December 31 of the year containing the fifth anniversary of your death, or December 31 of the year life expectancy payments would be required to begin. Your designated beneficiaries, other than a spouse who is the sole designated beneficiary, must elect either option (a) or (b) by December 31 of the year following the year of your death. If no election is made, distribution will be calculated in accordance with option (b). In the case of distributions under option (b), distributions must commence by December 31 of the year following the year of your death. Generally, if your spouse is the designated beneficiary, distributions need not commence until December 31 of the year you would have attained age 72 (age 701/2 if you would have attained age 701/2 before 2020), if later. If a beneficiary other than a person or qualified trust as defined in the Treasury Regulations is named, you will be treated as having no designated beneficiary of your IRA for purposes of determining the distribution period. If there is no designated beneficiary of your IRA, the entire IRA must be distributed by December 31 of the year containing the fifth anniversary of your death.

 Death of IRA Owner On or After January 1, 2020 – The entire amount remaining in your account will generally be distributed by December 31 of the year containing the tenth anniversary of your death unless you have an eligible designated beneficiary or you have no designated beneficiary for purposes of determining a distribution period. This requirement applies to beneficiaries regardless of whether you die before, on, or after your required beginning date.

If your beneficiary is an eligible designated beneficiary, the entire amount remaining in your account may be distributed (in accordance with the Treasury Regulations) over the remaining life expectancy of your eligible designated beneficiary (or over a period not extending beyond the life expectancy of such beneficiary).

An eligible designated beneficiary is any designated beneficiary who is

- your surviving spouse,
- your child who has not reached the age of majority,
- disabled (A physician must determine that your impairment can be expected to result in death or to be of long, continued, and indefinite duration.),
- an individual who is not more than 10 years younger than you, or
- chronically ill (A chronically ill individual is someone who (1) is unable to perform (without substantial assistance from another individual) at least two activities of daily living for an indefinite period due to a loss of functional capacity, (2) has a level of disability similar to the level of disability described above requiring assistance with daily living based on loss of functional capacity, or (3) requires substantial supervision to protect the individual from threats to health and safety due to severe cognitive impairment.)

Note that certain trust beneficiaries (e.g., certain trusts for disabled and chronically ill individuals) may take distribution of the entire amount remaining in your account over the remaining life expectancy of the trust beneficiary.

Generally, life expectancy distributions to an eligible designated beneficiary must commence by December 31 of the year following the year of your death. However, if your spouse is the eligible designated beneficiary, distributions need not commence until December 31 of the year you would have attained age 72, if later. If your eligible designated beneficiary is your minor child, life expectancy payments must begin by December 31 of the year following the year of your death and continue until the child reaches the age of majority. Once the age of majority is reached, the beneficiary will have 10 years to deplete the account.

If a beneficiary other than a person (e.g., your estate, a charity, or a certain type of trust) is named, you will be treated as having no designated beneficiary of your IRA for purposes of determining the distribution period. If you die before your required beginning date and there is no designated beneficiary of your IRA, the entire IRA must be distributed by December 31 of the year containing the fifth anniversary of your death. If you die on or after your required beginning date and there is no designated beneficiary of your IRA, distributions will commence using your single life expectancy, reduced by one in each subsequent year.

A spouse who is the sole designated beneficiary of your entire IRA will be deemed to elect to treat your IRA as his or her own by either (1) making contributions to your IRA or (2) failing to timely remove a required minimum distribution from your IRA. Regardless of whether or not the spouse is the sole designated beneficiary of your IRA, a spouse beneficiary may roll over his or her share of the assets to his or her own IRA.

If we so choose, for any reason (e.g., due to limitations of our charter or bylaws), we may require that a beneficiary of a deceased IRA owner take total distribution of all IRA assets by December 31 of the year following the year of death. If your beneficiary fails to remove a required minimum distribution after your death, an additional penalty tax of 50 percent is imposed on the amount of the required minimum distribution that should have been taken but was not. Your beneficiary must file IRS Form 5329 along with his or her income tax return to report and remit any additional taxes to the IRS.

L. Qualifying Longevity Annuity Contracts and RMDs – A qualifying longevity annuity contract (QLAC) is a deferred annuity contract that, among other requirements, must guarantee lifetime income starting no later than age 85. The total premiums paid to QLACs in your IRAs must not exceed 25 percent (up to \$125,000) of the combined value of your IRAs (excluding Roth IRAs). The \$125,000 limit is subject to cost-of-living adjustments each year.

When calculating your RMD, you may reduce the prior year end account value by the value of QLACs that your IRA holds as investments.

For more information on QLACs, you may wish to refer to the IRS website at www.irs.gov.

M. Waiver of 2020 RMD – In spite of the general rules described above, if you are an IRA owner age 70½ or older, you are not required to remove an RMD for calendar year 2020. This RMD waiver also applies to IRA owners who attained age 70½ in 2019 but did not take their first RMD before January 1, 2020. In addition, no beneficiary life expectancy payments are required for calendar year 2020. If the five-year rule applies to an IRA with respect to any decedent, the five-year period is determined without regard to calendar year 2020. For example, if an IRA owner died in 2017, the beneficiary's five-year period ends in 2023 instead of 2022.

#### INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES OF ESTABLISHING AN IRA

A. **IRA Deductibility** – If you are eligible to contribute to your IRA, the amount of the contribution for which you may take a tax deduction will depend upon whether you (or, in some cases, your spouse) are an active participant in an employer-sponsored retirement plan. If you (and your spouse, if married) are not an active participant, your entire IRA contribution will be deductible. If you are an active participant (or are married to an active participant), the deductibility of your IRA contribution will depend on your modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) and your tax filing status for the tax year for which the contribution was made. MAGI is determined on your income tax return using your adjusted gross income but disregarding any deductible IRA contribution and certain other deductions and exclusions.

**Definition of Active Participant.** Generally, you will be an active participant if you are covered by one or more of the following employer-sponsored retirement plans.

- 1. Qualified pension, profit sharing, 401(k), or stock bonus plan
- 2. Qualified annuity plan of an employer
- 3. Simplified employee pension (SEP) plan
- Retirement plan established by the federal government, a state, or a political subdivision (except certain unfunded deferred compensation plans under IRC Sec. 457)
- Tax-sheltered annuity for employees of certain tax-exempt organizations or public schools
- 6. Plan meeting the requirements of IRC Sec. 501(c)(18)
- 7. Savings incentive match plan for employees of small employers (SIMPLE) IRA plan or a SIMPLE 401(k) plan

If you do not know whether your employer maintains one of these plans or whether you are an active participant in a plan, check with your employer or your tax advisor. Also, the IRS Form W-2, *Wage and Tax Statement*, that you receive at the end of the year from your employer will indicate whether you are an active participant.

If you are an active participant, are single, and have MAGI within the applicable phase-out range listed below, the deductible amount of your contribution is determined as follows. (1) Begin with the appropriate phase-out range maximum for the applicable year (specified below) and subtract your MAGI; (2) divide this total by the difference between the phase-out maximum and minimum; and (3) multiply this number by the maximum allowable contribution for the applicable year, including catch-up contributions if you are age 50 or older. The resulting figure will be the maximum IRA deduction you may take. For example, if you are age 30 with MAGI of \$66,000 in 2020, your maximum deductible contribution is \$5,400 (the 2020 phase-out range maximum of \$75,000 minus your MAGI of \$66,000, divided by the difference between the maximum and minimum phase-out range limits of \$10,000, and multiplied by the contribution limit of \$6,000).

If you are an active participant, are married to an active participant and you file a joint income tax return, and have MAGI within the applicable phase-out range listed below, the deductible amount of your contribution is determined as follows. (1) Begin with the appropriate phase-out maximum for the applicable year (specified below) and subtract your MAGI; (2) divide this total by the difference between the phase-out range maximum and minimum; and (3) multiply this number by the maximum allowable contribution for the applicable year, including catch-up contributions if you are age 50 or older. The resulting figure will be the maximum IRA deduction you may take. For example, if you are age 30 with MAGI of \$107,000 in 2020, your maximum deductible contribution is \$5,100 (the 2020 phase-out maximum of \$124,000 minus your MAGI of \$107,000, divided by the difference between the maximum and minimum phase-out limits of \$20,000, and multiplied by the contribution limit of \$6,000).

If you are an active participant, are married and you file a separate income tax return, your MAGI phase-out range is generally \$0-\$10,000. However, if you lived apart for the entire tax year, you are treated as a single filer.

Tax Year	Joint Filers Phase-Out Range*	Single Taxpayers Phase-Out Range*
	(minimum)(maximum)	(minimum)(maximum)
2013	\$95,000–115,000	\$59,000–69,000
2014	\$96,000–116,000	\$60,000–70,000
2015	\$98,000–118,000	\$61,000–71,000
2016	\$98,000–118,000	\$61,000–71,000
2017	\$99,000–119,000	\$62,000–72,000
2018	\$101,000–121,000	\$63,000–73,000
2019	\$103,000–123,000	\$64,000–74,000
2020	\$104,000-124,000	\$65,000–75,000

\*MAGI limits are subject to cost-of-living adjustments each year.

The MAGI phase-out range for an individual that is not an active participant, but is married to an active participant, is \$193,000–\$203,000 (for 2019) and \$196,000–\$206,000 (for 2020). This limit is also subject to cost-of-living increases for tax years after 2020. If you are not an active participant in an employer-sponsored retirement plan, are married to someone who is an active participant, and you file a joint income tax return with MAGI between the applicable phase-out range for the year, your maximum deductible contribution is determined as follows. (1) Begin with the appropriate MAGI phase-out maximum for the year and subtract your MAGI; (2) divide this total by the difference between the phase-out range maximum and minimum; and (3) multiply this number by the maximum allowable contribution for the applicable year, including catch-up contributions if you are age 50 or older. The resulting figure will be the maximum IRA deduction you may take.

You must round the resulting deduction to the next highest \$10 if the number is not a multiple of 10. If your resulting deduction is between \$0 and \$200, you may round up to \$200.

B. Contribution Deadline – The deadline for making an IRA contribution is your tax return due date (not including extensions). You may designate a contribution as a contribution for the preceding taxable year in a manner acceptable to us. For example, if you are a calendaryear taxpayer and you make your IRA contribution on or before your tax filing deadline, your contribution is considered to have been made for the previous tax year if you designate it as such.

If you are a member of the Armed Forces serving in a combat zone, hazardous duty area, or contingency operation, you may have an extended contribution deadline of 180 days after the last day served in the area. In addition, your contribution deadline for a particular tax year is also extended by the number of days that remained to file that year's tax return as of the date you entered the combat zone. This additional extension to make your IRA contribution cannot exceed the number of days between January 1 and your tax filing deadline, not including extensions.

- C. Tax Credit for Contributions You may be eligible to receive a tax credit for your Traditional IRA contributions. This credit will be allowed in addition to any tax deduction that may apply, and may not exceed \$1,000 in a given year. You may be eligible for this tax credit if you are
  - age 18 or older as of the close of the taxable year,
  - not a dependent of another taxpayer, and
  - not a full-time student.

The credit is based upon your income (see chart below), and will range from 0 to 50 percent of eligible contributions. In order to determine the amount of your contributions, add all of the contributions made to your Traditional IRA and reduce these contributions by any distributions that you have taken during the testing period. The testing period begins two years prior to the year for which the credit is sought and ends on the tax return due date (including extensions) for the year for which the credit is sought. In order to determine your tax credit, multiply the applicable percentage from the chart below by the amount of your contributions that do not exceed \$2,000.

2019	Applicable		
Joint Return	Head of a Household	All Other Cases	Applicable Percentage
\$1–38,500	\$1–28,875	\$1–19,250	50
\$38,501-41,500	\$28,876–31,125	\$19,251–20,750	20
\$41,501-64,000	\$31,126–48,000	\$20,751–32,000	10
Over \$64,000	Over \$48,000	Over \$32,000	0

2020	Annliaghla		
Joint Return	Head of a Household	All Other Cases	Applicable Percentage
\$1-39,000	\$1–29,250	\$1–19,500	50
\$39,001-42,500	\$29,251–31,875	\$19,501–21,250	20
\$42,501-65,000	\$31,876–48,750	\$21,251–32,500	10
Over \$65,000	Over \$48,750	Over \$32,500	0

\*Adjusted gross income (AGI) includes foreign earned income and income from Guam, America Samoa, North Mariana Islands, and Puerto Rico. AGI limits are subject to cost-of-living adjustments each year.

D. Excess Contributions – An excess contribution is any amount that is contributed to your IRA that exceeds the amount that you are eligible to contribute. If the excess is not corrected timely, an additional penalty tax of six percent will be imposed upon the excess amount. The procedure for correcting an excess is determined by the timeliness of the correction as identified below.

- 1. **Removal Before Your Tax Filing Deadline.** An excess contribution may be corrected by withdrawing the excess amount, along with the earnings attributable to the excess, before your tax filing deadline, including extensions, for the year for which the excess contribution was made. An excess withdrawn under this method is not taxable to you, but you must include the earnings attributable to the excess in your taxable income in the year in which the contribution was made. The six percent excess contribution penalty tax will be avoided.
- 2. Removal After Your Tax Filing Deadline. If you are correcting an excess contribution after your tax filing deadline, including extensions, remove only the amount of the excess contribution. The six percent excess contribution penalty tax will be imposed on the excess contribution for each year it remains in the IRA. An excess withdrawal under this method will only be taxable to you if the total contributions made in the year of the excess exceed the annual applicable contribution limit.
- 3. Carry Forward to a Subsequent Year. If you do not withdraw the excess contribution, you may carry forward the contribution for a subsequent tax year. To do so, you under-contribute for that tax year and carry the excess contribution amount forward to that year on your tax return. The six percent excess contribution penalty tax will be imposed on the excess amount for each year that it remains as an excess contribution at the end of the year.

You must file IRS Form 5329 along with your income tax return to report and remit any additional taxes to the IRS.

- E. **Tax-Deferred Earnings** The investment earnings of your IRA are not subject to federal income tax until distributions are made (or, in certain instances, when distributions are deemed to be made).
- F. Nondeductible Contributions You may make nondeductible contributions to your IRA to the extent that deductible contributions are not allowed. The sum of your deductible and nondeductible IRA contributions cannot exceed your contribution limit (the lesser of the allowable contribution limit described previously, or 100 percent of compensation). You may elect to treat deductible IRA contributions as nondeductible contributions.

If you make nondeductible contributions for a particular tax year, you must report the amount of the nondeductible contribution along with your income tax return using IRS Form 8606. Failure to file IRS Form 8606 will result in a \$50 per failure penalty.

If you overstate the amount of designated nondeductible contributions for any taxable year, you are subject to a \$100 penalty unless reasonable cause for the overstatement can be shown.

G. **Taxation of Distributions** – The taxation of IRA distributions depends on whether or not you have ever made nondeductible IRA contributions. If you have only made deductible contributions, all IRA distribution amounts will be included in income.

If you have ever made nondeductible contributions to any IRA, the following formula must be used to determine the amount of any IRA distribution excluded from income.

(Aggregate Nondeductible Contributions)	
x (Amount Withdrawn)	= Amount Excluded From Income
Aggregate IRA Balance	= Amount Excluded From Income

**NOTE:** Aggregate nondeductible contributions include all nondeductible contributions made by you through the end of the year of the distribution that have not previously been withdrawn and excluded from income. Also note that the aggregate IRA balance includes the total balance of all of your Traditional and SIMPLE IRAs as of the end of the year of distribution and any distributions occurring during the year.

- H. Income Tax Withholding Any withdrawal from your IRA is subject to federal income tax withholding. You may, however, elect not to have withholding apply to your IRA withdrawal. If withholding is applied to your withdrawal, not less than 10 percent of the amount withdrawn must be withheld.
- I. Early Distribution Penalty Tax If you receive an IRA distribution before you attain age 59½, an additional early distribution penalty tax of 10 percent will apply to the taxable amount of the distribution unless one of the following exceptions apply. 1) Death. After your death, payments made to your beneficiary are not subject to the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. 2) Disability. If you are disabled at the time of distribution, you are not subject to the additional 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. In order to be disabled, a physician must determine that your impairment can be expected to result in death or to be of long, continued, and indefinite duration. 3) Substantially equal periodic payments. You are not subject to the additional 10 percent early distribution penalty tax if you are taking a series of substantially equal periodic payments (at least annual payments) over your life expectancy or the joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary. You must continue these payments for the longer of five years or until you reach age 591/2. 4) Unreimbursed medical expenses. If you take payments to pay for unreimbursed medical expenses that exceed a specified percentage of your adjusted gross income, you will not be subject to the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. For further detailed information and effective dates you may obtain IRS Publication 590-B, Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs), from the IRS. The medical expenses may be for you, your spouse, or any dependent listed on your tax return. 5) Health insurance premiums. If you are unemployed and have received unemployment compensation for 12 consecutive weeks under a federal or state program, you may take payments from your IRA to pay for health insurance premiums without incurring the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. 6) Higher education expenses. Payments taken for certain qualified higher education expenses for you, your spouse, or the children or grandchildren of you or your spouse, will not be subject to the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. 7) First-time homebuyer. You may take payments from your IRA to use toward qualified acquisition costs of buying or building a principal residence. The amount you may take for this reason may not exceed a lifetime maximum of \$10,000. The payment must be used for qualified acquisition costs within 120 days of receiving the distribution. 8) IRS levy. Payments from your IRA made to the U.S. government in response to a federal tax levy are not subject to the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. 9) Qualified reservist distributions. If you are a qualified reservist member called to active duty for more than 179 days or an indefinite period, the payments you take from your IRA during the active duty period are not subject to the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. 10) Qualified birth or adoption. Payments from your IRA for the birth of your child or the adoption of an eligible adoptee will not be subject to the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax if the distribution is taken during the one-year period beginning on the date of birth of your child or the date on which your legal adoption of an eligible adoptee is finalized. An eligible adoptee means any individual (other than your spouse's child) who has not attained age 18 or is physically or mentally incapable of self-support. The aggregate amount you may take for this reason may not exceed \$5,000 for each birth or adoption.
  - You must file IRS Form 5329 along with your income tax return to the IRS to report and remit any additional taxes or to claim a penalty tax exception.

- J. Rollovers and Conversions Your IRA may be rolled over to another IRA, SIMPLE IRA, or an eligible employer-sponsored retirement plan of yours, may receive rollover contributions, or may be converted to a Roth IRA, provided that all of the applicable rollover and conversion rules are followed. Rollover is a term used to describe a movement of cash or other property to your IRA from another IRA, or from your employer's qualified retirement plan, 403(a) annuity, 403(b) taxsheltered annuity, 457(b) eligible governmental deferred compensation plan, or federal Thrift Savings Plan. The amount rolled over is not subject to taxation or the additional 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. Conversion is a term used to describe the movement of Traditional IRA assets to a Roth IRA. A conversion generally is a taxable event. The general rollover and conversion rules are summarized below. These transactions are often complex. If you have any questions regarding a rollover or conversion, please see a competent tax advisor.
  - 1. **Traditional IRA-to-Traditional IRA Rollovers.** Assets distributed from your Traditional IRA may be rolled over to the same Traditional IRA or another Traditional IRA of yours if the requirements of IRC Sec. 408(d)(3) are met. A proper IRA-to-IRA rollover is completed if all or part of the distribution is rolled over not later than 60 days after the distribution is received. In the case of a distribution for a first-time homebuyer where there was a delay or cancellation of the purchase, the 60-day rollover period may be extended to 120 days.

You are permitted to roll over only one distribution from an IRA (Traditional, Roth, or SIMPLE) in a 12-month period, regardless of the number of IRAs you own. A distribution may be rolled over to the same IRA or to another IRA that is eligible to receive the rollover. For more information on rollover limitations, you may wish to obtain IRS Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, from the IRS or refer to the IRS website at www.irs.gov.

2. **SIMPLE IRA-to-Traditional IRA Rollovers.** Assets distributed from your SIMPLE IRA may be rolled over to your Traditional IRA without IRS penalty tax provided two years have passed since you first participated in a SIMPLE IRA plan sponsored by your employer. As with Traditional IRA-to-Traditional IRA rollovers, the requirements of IRC Sec. 408(d)(3) must be met. A proper SIMPLE IRA-to-IRA rollover is completed if all or part of the distribution is rolled over not later than 60 days after the distribution is received.

You are permitted to roll over only one distribution from an IRA (Traditional, Roth, or SIMPLE) in a 12-month period, regardless of the number of IRAs you own. A distribution may be rolled over to the same IRA or to another IRA that is eligible to receive the rollover. For more information on rollover limitations, you may wish to obtain IRS Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, from the IRS or refer to the IRS website at www.irs.gov.

3. Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plan-to-Traditional IRA Rollovers. You may roll over, directly or indirectly, any eligible rollover distribution from an eligible employer-sponsored retirement plan. An eligible rollover distribution is defined generally as any distribution from a qualified retirement plan, 403(a) annuity, 403(b) tax-sheltered annuity, 457(b) eligible governmental deferred compensation plan, or federal Thrift Savings Plan unless it is a required minimum distribution, hardship distribution, part of a certain series of substantially equal periodic payments, corrective distributions and any income allocable to the excess, deemed loan distribution, dividends on employer securities, the cost of life insurance coverage, or a distribution of Roth elective deferrals from a 401(k), 403(b), governmental 457(b), or federal Thrift Savings Plan. If you elect to receive your rollover distribution prior to placing it in an IRA, thereby conducting an indirect rollover, your plan administrator generally will be required to withhold 20 percent of your distribution as a payment of income taxes. When completing the rollover, you may make up out of pocket the amount withheld, and roll over the full amount distributed from your employersponsored retirement plan. To qualify as a rollover, your eligible rollover distribution generally must be rolled over to your IRA not later than 60 days after you receive the distribution. In the case of a plan loan offset due to plan termination or severance from employment, the deadline for completing the rollover is your tax return due date (including extensions) for the year in which the offset occurs. Alternatively, you may claim the withheld amount as income, and pay the applicable income tax, and if you are under age 591/2, the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax (unless an exception to the penalty applies).

As an alternative to the indirect rollover, your employer generally must give you the option to directly roll over your employersponsored retirement plan balance to an IRA. If you elect the direct rollover option, your eligible rollover distribution will be paid directly to the IRA (or other eligible employer-sponsored retirement plan) that you designate. The 20 percent withholding requirements do not apply to direct rollovers.

- 4. Beneficiary Rollovers From Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plans. If you are a spouse or nonspouse beneficiary of a deceased employer-sponsored retirement plan participant, or the trustee of an eligible type of trust named as beneficiary of such participant, you may directly roll over inherited assets from a qualified retirement plan, 403(a) annuity, 403(b) tax-sheltered annuity, or 457(b) eligible governmental deferred compensation plan to an inherited IRA, as permitted by the IRS. The IRA must be maintained as an inherited IRA, subject to the beneficiary distribution requirements.
- 5. **Traditional IRA-to-SIMPLE IRA Rollovers.** Assets distributed from your Traditional IRA may be rolled over to a SIMPLE IRA if the requirements of IRC Sec. 408(d)(3) are met and two years have passed since you first participated in a SIMPLE IRA plan sponsored by your employer. A proper Traditional IRA-to-SIMPLE IRA rollover is completed if all or part of the distribution is rolled over not later than 60 days after the distribution is received. In the case of a distribution for a first-time homebuyer where there was a delay or cancellation of the purchase, the 60-day rollover period may be extended to 120 days.

You are permitted to roll over only one distribution from an IRA (Traditional, Roth, or SIMPLE) in a 12-month period, regardless of the number of IRAs you own. A distribution may be rolled over to the same IRA or to another IRA that is eligible to receive the rollover. For more information on rollover limitations, you may obtain IRS Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, from the IRS or refer to the IRS website at www.irs.gov.

- 6. Traditional IRA-to-Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plan Rollovers. You may roll over, directly or indirectly, any taxable eligible rollover distribution from an IRA to your qualified retirement plan, 403(a) annuity, 403(b) tax-sheltered annuity, or 457(b) eligible governmental deferred compensation plan as long as the employersponsored retirement plan accepts such rollover contributions.
- 7. Traditional IRA-to-Roth IRA Conversions. If you convert to a Roth IRA, the amount of the conversion from your Traditional IRA to your Roth IRA will be treated as a distribution for income tax purposes, and is includible in your gross income (except for any nondeductible contributions). Although the conversion amount generally is included in income, the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax will not apply to conversions from a Traditional IRA to

a Roth IRA, regardless of whether you qualify for any exceptions to the 10 percent penalty tax. If you are required to take a required minimum distribution for the year, you must remove your required minimum distribution before converting your Traditional IRA.

- 8. Qualified HSA Funding Distribution. If you are eligible to contribute to a health savings account (HSA), you may be eligible to take a one-time tax-free qualified HSA funding distribution from your IRA and directly deposit it to your HSA. The amount of the qualified HSA funding distribution may not exceed the maximum HSA contribution limit in effect for the type of high deductible health plan coverage (i.e., single or family coverage) that you have at the time of the deposit, and counts toward your HSA contribution limit for that year. For further detailed information, you may wish to obtain IRS Publication 969, *Health Savings Accounts and Other Tax-Favored Health Plans*.
- 9. Rollovers of Settlement Payments From Bankrupt Airlines. If you are a qualified airline employee who has received a qualified airline settlement payment from a commercial airline carrier under the approval of an order of a federal bankruptcy court, you are allowed to roll over up to 90 percent of the proceeds into your Traditional IRA within 180 days after receipt of such amount, or by a later date if extended by federal law. If you make such a rollover contribution, you may exclude the amount rolled over from your gross income in the taxable year in which the airline settlement payment was paid to you. For further detailed information and effective dates you may obtain IRS Publication 590-A, *Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, from the IRS or refer to the IRS website at www.irs.gov.
- 10. Rollovers of Exxon Valdez Settlement Payments. If you receive a qualified settlement payment from Exxon Valdez litigation, you may roll over the amount of the settlement, up to \$100,000, reduced by the amount of any qualified Exxon Valdez settlement income previously contributed to a Traditional or Roth IRA or eligible retirement plan in prior taxable years. You will have until your tax return due date (not including extensions) for the year in which the qualified settlement income is received to make the rollover contribution. To obtain more information on this type of rollover, you may wish to visit the IRS website at www.irs.gov.
- 11. **Rollover of IRS Levy.** If you receive a refund of eligible retirement plan assets that had been wrongfully levied, you may roll over the amount returned up until your tax return due date (not including extensions) for the year in which the money was returned.
- 12. **Repayment of Qualified Birth or Adoption Distribution.** If you have taken a qualified birth or adoption distribution, you may generally repay all or a portion of the aggregate amount of such distribution to an IRA, as permitted by the IRS. For further information, you may wish to obtain IRS Publication 590-A, *Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, by visiting www.irs.gov on the Internet.
- 13. Written Election. At the time you make a rollover to an IRA, you must designate in writing to the trustee your election to treat that contribution as a rollover. Once made, the rollover election is irrevocable.
- K. Transfer Due to Divorce If all or any part of your IRA is awarded to your spouse or former spouse in a divorce or legal separation proceeding, the amount so awarded will be treated as the spouse's IRA (and may be transferred pursuant to a court-approved divorce decree or written legal separation agreement to another IRA of your spouse), and will not be considered a taxable distribution to you. A transfer is a tax-free direct movement of cash and/or property from one Traditional IRA to another.

L. **Recharacterizations** – If you make a contribution to a Traditional IRA and later recharacterize either all or a portion of the original contribution to a Roth IRA along with net income attributable, you may elect to treat the original contribution as having been made to the Roth IRA. The same methodology applies when recharacterizing a contribution from a Roth IRA to a Traditional IRA. The deadline for completing a recharacterization is your tax filing deadline (including any extensions) for the year for which the original contribution was made. You may not recharacterize a Roth IRA conversion.

#### LIMITATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

- A. SEP Plans Under a simplified employee pension (SEP) plan that meets the requirements of IRC Sec. 408(k), your employer may make contributions to your IRA. Your employer is required to provide you with information that describes the terms of your employer's SEP plan.
- B. Spousal IRA For contributions made for tax years beginning before 2020, if you are married and have compensation, you may contribute to an IRA established for the benefit of your spouse for any year prior to the year your spouse turns age 70½, regardless of whether or not your spouse has compensation. For contributions made for 2020 and later tax years, you may contribute to an IRA established for the benefit of your spouse regardless of your spouse's age, if you are married and have compensation. You may make these spousal contributions even if you are age 70½ or older. You must file a joint income tax return for the year for which the contribution is made.

The amount you may contribute to your IRA and your spouse's IRA is the lesser of 100 percent of your combined eligible compensation or \$12,000 for 2019 and 2020. This amount may be increased with costof-living adjustments each year. However, you may not contribute more than the individual contribution limit to each IRA.

If your spouse is age 50 or older by the close of the taxable year, and is otherwise eligible, you may make an additional contribution to your spouse's IRA. The maximum additional contribution is \$1,000 per year.

- C. Deduction of Rollovers and Transfers A deduction is not allowed for rollover or transfer contributions.
- D. Gift Tax Transfers of your IRA assets to a beneficiary made during your life and at your request may be subject to federal gift tax under IRC Sec. 2501.
- E. **Special Tax Treatment** Capital gains treatment and 10-year income averaging authorized by IRC Sec. 402 do not apply to IRA distributions.
- F. Prohibited Transactions If you or your beneficiary engage in a prohibited transaction with your IRA, as described in IRC Sec. 4975, your IRA will lose its tax-deferred status, and you must include the value of your account in your gross income for that taxable year. The following transactions are examples of prohibited transactions with your IRA. (1) Taking a loan from your IRA (2) Buying property for personal use (present or future) with IRA assets (3) Receiving certain bonuses or premiums because of your IRA.
- G. Pledging If you pledge any portion of your IRA as collateral for a loan, the amount so pledged will be treated as a distribution and will be included in your gross income for that year.

#### **OTHER**

- A. **IRS Plan Approval** Articles I through VII of the agreement used to establish this IRA have been approved by the IRS. The IRS approval is a determination only as to form. It is not an endorsement of the plan in operation or of the investments offered.
- B. Additional Information For further information on IRAs, you may wish to obtain IRS Publication 590-A, *Contributions to Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, or Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, by calling 800-TAX-FORM, or by visiting www.irs.gov on the Internet.

- C. Important Information About Procedures for Opening a New Account To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, federal law requires all financial organizations to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. Therefore, when you open an IRA, you are required to provide your name, residential address, date of birth, and identification number. We may require other information that will allow us to identify you.
- D. **Qualified Reservist Distributions** If you are an eligible qualified reservist who has taken penalty-free qualified reservist distributions from your IRA or retirement plan, you may recontribute those amounts to an IRA generally within a two-year period from your date of return.
- E. Qualified Charitable Distributions If you are age 70½ or older, you may be eligible to take tax-free IRA distributions of up to \$100,000 per year and have these distributions paid directly to certain charitable organizations. Special tax rules may apply. For further detailed information you may obtain IRS Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, from the IRS or refer to the IRS website at www.irs.gov.
- F. **Disaster Related Relief** If you qualify (for example, you sustained an economic loss due to, or are otherwise considered affected by, certain disasters designated by Congress), you may be eligible for favorable tax treatment on distributions, rollovers, and other transactions involving your IRA. Qualified disaster relief may include penalty-tax free early distributions made during specified timeframes for each disaster, the ability to include distributions in your gross income ratably over multiple years, the ability to roll over distributions to an eligible retirement plan without regard to the 60-day rollover rule, and more. For additional information on specific disasters, including a complete listing of disaster-related IRA transactions, you may wish to obtain IRS Publication 590-B, *Distributions from Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs)*, from the IRS or refer to the IRS website at www.irs.gov.
- G. **Coronavirus-Related Distributions (CRDs)** If you qualify, you may withdraw up to \$100,000 in aggregate from your IRAs and eligible retirement plans as a CRD, without paying the 10 percent early distribution penalty tax. You are a qualified individual if you (or your spouse or dependent) is diagnosed with the COVID-19 disease or the SARS-CoV-2 virus in an approved test; or if you have experienced adverse financial consequences as a result of being quarantined, being furloughed or laid off or having work hours reduced due to such virus or disease, being unable to work due to lack of child care due to such virus or disease, closing or reduced hours of a business owned or operated by you due to such virus or disease, or other factors as determined by the IRS. A CRD must be made on or after January 1, 2020, and before December 31, 2020.

CRDs will be taxed ratably over a three-year period, unless you elect otherwise, and may be repaid over three years beginning with the day following the day a CRD is made. Repayments may be made to an eligible retirement plan or IRA.

An eligible retirement plan is defined as a qualified retirement plan, 403(a) annuity, 403(b) tax-sheltered annuity, 457(b) eligible governmental deferred compensation plan, or an IRA.

# **IRA** FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

The term IRA will be used below to mean Traditional IRA, Roth IRA, and SIMPLE IRA, unless otherwise specified.

**The financial organization should complete the financial disclosure using Method I, Method II, or Method III.** *If the growth of the IRA can reasonably be projected, use either Method I or Method II. The account values projected using Method I or Method II must be reduced by all applicable fees and penalties. If annual fees are assessed, such as an annual service fee, use Method II. If no projection of growth of the IRA can reasonably be shown, use Method II.* 

METHOD I Growth can be projected (Do not use Method I if an annual fee is charged. Instead, use Method II for financial projections.)

Your Age on Your Birth Date This Year\_\_\_\_\_ Length of Time Deposit (If applicable)\_

The charts below give projections of the value of your IRA by showing the amount available at the end of each year. These projections assume an interest rate of .25%, compounded annually. If you have invested your IRA in a time deposit, a loss-of-earnings penalty may be charged against a withdrawal before maturity. A transaction fee may also apply to your IRA.

The Regular Contribution chart assumes that an annual contribution of \$1,000 is made on the first day of each year. The Rollover, Transfer, or Conversion\* chart assumes that a one-time deposit of \$1,000 is made on the first day of the first year.

Indicate the projected account value for each of the years, taking into consideration any applicable loss of earnings penalty or other fees assessed if the IRA owner received a distribution at the end of the year for which the projection is being made. First, circle the year-end projected IRA value that is applicable for each of the first five years. Next, circle the applicable IRA value for the years in which the IRA owner will attain ages 60, 65, and 70.

#### **REGULAR CONTRIBUTION**

## ROLLOVER, TRANSFER, OR CONVERSION\*

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1	\$1,002.50	\$1,002.29	\$1,001.87	\$1,001.25	FLINALITES	1	\$1,002.50	\$1,002.29	\$1,001.87	\$1,001.25	FENALITES
2	2,007.51	2,007.09	2,006.25	2,005.00		2	1,005.01	1,004.80	1,004.38	1,003.75	
3	3,015.03	3,014.40	3,013.14	3,011.26		3	1,007.52	1,007.31	1,006.89	1,006.26	
4	4,025.06	4,024.22	4,022.55	4,020.03		4	1,010.04	1,009.83	1,009.41	1,008.78	
5	5,037.63	5,036.58	5,034.48	5,031.33		5	1,012.56	1,012.35	1,011.93	1,011.30	
6	6,052.72	6,051.46	6,048.94	6,045.15		6	1,015.09	1,014.88	1,014.46	1,013.83	
	7,070.35	7,068.88	7,065.93	7,061.51		7	1,017.63	1,017.42	1,017.00	1,016.36	
<u>8</u>	8,090.53 9,113.25	8,088.84 9,111.35	<u>8,085.47</u> 9,107.56	8,080.41		8	1,020.18 1,022.73	1,019.96	<u>1,019.54</u> 1,022.09	<u>1,018.90</u> 1,021.45	
10	10,138.54	10,136.42	10,132.20	<u>9,101.86</u> 10,125.86		10	1,022.73	<u>1,022.51</u> 1,025.07	1,022.09	1,021.45	
11	11,166.38	11,164.06		11.152.42		11	1,027.85	1,027.63	1.027.20	1,026.56	
12	12,196.80	12,194.26		12,181.55		12	1,030.42	1,030.20	1,029.77	1,029.13	
13	13,229.79	13,227.03	13,221.52	13,213.25		13	1,032.99	1,032.78	1,032.35	1,031.70	
14	14,265.37	14,262.39	14,256.45	14,247.53		14	1,035.57	1,035.36	1,034.93	1,034.28	
15	15,303.53	15,300.34	15,293.96	15,284.40		15	1,038.16	1,037.95	1,037.51	1,036.87	
16	16,344.29	16,340.88	16,334.07	16,323.86		16	1,040.76	1,040.54	1,040.11	1,039.46	
	17,387.65	17,384.03	17,376.78	17,365.91	-	17	1,043.36	1,043.14	1,042.71	1,042.06	
<u>18</u> 19	18,433.62	18,429.78	18,422.10	18,410.58		18 19	1,045.97	1,045.75	1,045.32	1,044.66	
20	19,482.20 20,533.41		19,470.02 20,520.57	19,457.85 20,507.74		20	1,048.58 1,051.21	1,048.37 1,050.99	<u>1,047.93</u> 1,050.55	<u>1,047.27</u> 1,049.89	
20		21,582.74	21,573.75	21,560.26		20	1,051.21	1,053.61	1,053.17	1,049.89	
22	22,643.71	22,638.99	22,629.56	22,615.40		22	1,056.47	1,056.25	1,055.81	1,055.15	
23	23,702.82	23,697.88		23,673.19		23	1,059.11	1,058.89	1,058.45	1,057.79	
24	24,764.57	24,759.42	24,749.10	24,733.62		24	1,061.76	1,061.54	1,061.09	1,060.43	
25	25,828.99	25,823.61	25,812.84	25,796.70		25	1,064.41	1,064.19	1,063.75	1,063.08	
26	26,896.06	26,890.46	26,879.25	26,862.44		26	1,067.07	1,066.85	1,066.41	1,065.74	
27	27,965.80	27,959.97	27,948.32	27,930.84		27	1,069.74	1,069.52	1,069.07	1,068.40	
28	29,038.21	29,032.16		29,001.92		28	1,072.41	1,072.19	1,071.74	1,071.07	
<u>29</u> 30	30,113.31 31,191.09	30,107.04	<u>30,094.49</u> 31,171.60	<u>30,075.67</u> 31,152.10		29 30	<u>1,075.10</u> 1,077.78	<u>1,074.87</u> 1,077.56	<u>1,074.42</u> 1,077.11	1,073.75	
31	32,271.57	31,184.59 32,264.85	32,251.40	32,231.23		31	1,077.78	1,077.30	1,079.80	<u>1,076.44</u> 1,079.13	
32	33.354.75	33.347.80		33,313.06		32	1.083.18	1,082.95	1,082.50	1.081.82	
33	34,440.64	34,433.46	34,419.11	34,397.58	-	33	1,085.89	1,085.66	1,085.21	1,084.53	
34	35,529.24	35,521.84	35,507.03	35,484.83		34	1,088.60	1,088.37	1,087.92	1,087.24	
35	36,620.56	36,612.93	36,597.67	36,574.78		35	1,091.32	1,091.10	1,090.64	1,089.96	
36	37,714.61	37,706.75	37,691.04	37,667.47		36	1,094.05	1,093.82	1,093.37	1,092.68	
37	38,811.40	38,803.31	38,787.14	38,762.88		37	1,096.79	1,096.56	1,096.10	1,095.42	
38	39,910.93	39,902.61	39,885.98	39,861.04		<u>38</u> 39	1,099.53	1,099.30	1,098.84	1,098.15	
<u>39</u> 40	41,013.20 42,118.24	41,004.66 42,109.46	40,987.57 42,091.91	40,961.94 42,065.59		40	1,102.28 1,105.03	<u>1,102.05</u> 1,104.80	<u>1,101.59</u> 1,104.34	<u>1,100.90</u> 1,103.65	
41	43,226.03	43,217.03	43,199.02	43,172.00		41	1,107.80	1,107.56	1,107.10	1,106.41	
42	44,336.60	44,327.36	44,308.89	44,281.18		42	1,110.57	1,110.33	1,109.87	1,109.18	
43	45,449.94	45,440.47	45,421.53	45,393.13		43	1,113.34	1,113.11	1,112.65	1,111.95	
44	46,566.06	46,556.36	46,536.96	46,507.86		44	1,116.12	1,115.89	1,115.43	1,114.73	
45	47,684.98	47,675.04	47,655.18	47,625.37		45	1,118.92	1,118.68	1,118.22	1,117.52	
46	48,806.69	48,796.52	48,776.19	48,745.68		46	1,121.71	1,121.48	1,121.01	1,120.31	
47	49,931.21	49,920.81	49,900.00			47	1,124.52	1,124.28	1,123.81	1,123.11	
48	51,058.54	51,047.90 52,177.81	51,026.62	50,994.71 52,123.45		48 49	<u>1,127.33</u> 1,130.15	<u>1,127.09</u> 1,129.91	<u>1,126.62</u> 1,129.44	<u>1,125.92</u> 1,128.73	
<u>49</u> 50	53,321.65	53,310.55	52,156.06 53,288.33	53,255.00		50	1,130.15	1,129.91	1,129.44	1,128.73	
51	54,457.46	54,446.11	54,423.42	54,389.39		51	1,135.80	1,135.57	1,135.09	1,134.38	
52	55,596.10	55,584.52	55,561.35	55,526.61		52	1,138.64	1,138.41	1,137.93	1,137.22	
53	56,737.59	56,725.77	56,702.13	56,666.67		53	1,141.49	1,141.25	1,140.78	1,140.06	
54	57,881.94	57,869.88	57,845.76	57,809.58		54	1,144.34	1,144.11	1,143.63	1,142.91	
55	59,029.14	59,016.84	58,992.25	58,955.35		55	1,147.20	1,146.97	1,146.49	1,145.77	
56	60,179.21					56	1,150.07	1,149.83	1,149.35	1,148.64	
57	61,332.16		61,293.83	61,255.50		57	1,152.95	1,152.71	1,152.23	1,151.51	
<u>58</u> 59	<u>62,487.99</u> 63,646.71	62,474.97 63,633.45	62,448.94 63,606.93	<u>62,409.88</u> 63,567.15		58 59	<u>1,155.83</u> 1,158.72	<u>1,155.59</u> 1,158.48	1,155.11 1,158.00	<u>1,154.39</u> 1,157.27	
60	64,808.33	64,794.83	64,767.82	64,727.32		60	1,158.72	1,158.48	1,158.00	1,157.27	
61		65,959.11		65,890.38		61	1,164.52	1,164.28	1,163.79	1,163.07	
62			67,098.32			62	1,167.43	1,167.19	1,166.70	1,165.97	

# ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

The account values shown are projections based on many assumptions. They are not guaranteed, but depend upon many factors, including the interest rates and terms of future funding instruments.

We may charge you fees in connection with your IRA. If we do not charge these fees now, we may do so in the future after giving you notice. If you do not pay these fees separately, they may be paid from the assets of your IRA.

#### **CURRENT FEES**

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\*Conversion applies to Roth IRAs only

#### METHOD II Growth can be projected

The financial projections below show the amount that would be available if you were to withdraw your IRA assets at the indicated times. These projections are based on the following assumptions.

#### **CONTRIBUTION** (Select one)

- Regular. An annual \$1,000 deposit is made on the first day of each year.
- □ **Rollover, Transfer, or Conversion.\*** A one-time \$1,000 deposit is made on the first day of the first year.

Your Age on Your Birth Date in Contribution Year\_\_\_\_\_

Investment Instrument\_

Length of Time Deposit\_\_\_\_\_

Rate of Interest

Compounding Method

#### FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS

Number of Years in IRA Program	Total Accumulation of IRA Dollars	Amount After Fees and Penalties		
1 Year	\$	_ \$		
2 Years	\$	_ \$		
3 Years	\$	\$ \$		
4 Years	\$			
5 Years	\$			
End of the Year You Reach Age	Total Accumulation of IRA Dollars	Amount After Fees and Penalties		
60	\$	\$\$		
65	\$	\$		
70	\$	\$		

#### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

The account values shown are projections based on many assumptions. These projections have been reduced by any applicable fees. They are not guaranteed, but depend upon many factors, including the interest rates and terms of future funding instruments.

We may charge you an annual service fee or other fees in connection with your IRA. If we do not charge these fees now, we may do so in the future after giving you notice. If you do not pay these fees separately, they may be paid from the assets of your IRA.

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#### METHOD III Growth cannot be projected

The value of your IRA will be dependent solely upon the performance of any investment instrument used to fund your IRA. Therefore, no projection of the growth of your IRA can reasonably be shown or guaranteed.

Terms and conditions of the IRA that affect your investment are listed below.

#### INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Your IRA will be invested in products that we offer directly or those we offer through a relationship with a registered securities broker-dealer.

#### FEES

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There are certain fees and charges connected with your IRA investments. These fees and charges may include the following.

- Sales Commissions
- Investment Management Fees
- Distribution Fees
- Set Up Fees
- Annual Maintenance Fees
- Surrender or Termination Fees

To find out what fees apply, refer to the investment prospectus or contract.

There may be certain fees and charges connected with the IRA itself. (Select and complete as applicable.)

Annual Service Fee	\$
Transfer Fee	\$
🗌 Rollover Fee	\$
Termination Fee	\$
Other (Explain)	

We reserve the right to change any of the above fees after notice to you, as provided in your IRA agreement.

#### EARNINGS

The method for computing and allocating annual earnings (e.g., interest, dividends) on your IRA will differ based on the nature and issuer of the investments chosen. Refer to the investment prospectus or contract for the methods used for computing and allocating annual earnings.

#### OTHER

Other terms or conditions that apply to your IRA include the following.

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Form **5305-SEP** (Rev. December 2004)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

## Simplified Employee Pension—Individual Retirement Accounts Contribution Agreement

(Under section 408(k) of the Internal Revenue Code)

OMB No. 1545-0499

**Do not** file with the Internal Revenue Service

(Name of employer)

makes the following agreement under section 408(k) of the Internal Revenue Code and the instructions to this form.

Name and title

#### Article I-Eligibility Requirements (check applicable boxes-see instructions)

The employer agrees to provide discretionary contributions in each calendar year to the individual retirement account or individual retirement annuity (IRA) of all employees who are at least \_\_\_\_\_\_ years old (not to exceed 21 years old) and have performed services for the employer in at least \_\_\_\_\_\_ years (not to exceed 3 years) of the immediately preceding 5 years. This simplified employee pension (SEP) \_\_\_\_\_ includes \_\_\_\_\_ does not include employees covered under a collective bargaining agreement, \_\_\_\_\_\_ includes \_\_\_\_\_ does not include certain nonresident aliens, and \_\_\_\_\_ includes \_\_\_\_\_ does not include employees whose total compensation during the year is less than \$450\*.

#### Article II—SEP Requirements (see instructions)

The employer agrees that contributions made on behalf of each eligible employee will be:

- **A.** Based only on the first \$205,000\* of compensation.
- **B.** The same percentage of compensation for every employee.
- C. Limited annually to the smaller of \$41,000\* or 25% of compensation.
- D. Paid to the employee's IRA trustee, custodian, or insurance company (for an annuity contract).

Employer's signature and date

## Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### **Purpose of Form**

Form 5305-SEP (Model SEP) is used by an employer to make an agreement to provide benefits to all eligible employees under a simplified employee pension (SEP) described in section 408(k).

Do not file Form 5305-SEP with the IRS. Instead, keep it with your records.

For more information on SEPs and IRAs, see Pub. 560, Retirement Plans for Small Business (SEP, SIMPLE, and Qualified Plans), and Pub. 590, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs).

#### Instructions to the Employer

Simplified employee pension. A SEP is a written arrangement (a plan) that provides you with an easy way to make contributions toward your employees' retirement income. Under a SEP, you can contribute to an employee's traditional individual retirement account or annuity (traditional IRA). You make contributions directly to an IRA set up by or for each employee with a bank, insurance company, or other qualified financial institution. When using Form 5305-SEP to establish a SEP, the IRA must be a Model traditional IRA established on an IRS form or a master or prototype traditional IRA for which the IRS has issued a favorable opinion letter. You may not make SEP contributions to a Roth IRA or a SIMPLE IRA. Making the agreement on Form 5305-SEP does not establish an employer IRA described in section 408(c).

When not to use Form 5305-SEP. Do not use this form if you:

1. Currently maintain any other qualified retirement plan. This does not prevent you from maintaining another SEP.

2. Have any eligible employees for whom IRAs have not been established.

3. Use the services of leased employees (described in section 414(n)).

4. Are a member of an affiliated service group (described in section 414(m)), a controlled group of corporations (described in section 414(b)), or trades or businesses under common control (described in sections 414(c) and 414(o)), unless all eligible employees of all the members of such groups, trades, or businesses participate in the SEP.

5. Will not pay the cost of the SEP contributions. Do not use Form 5305-SEP for a SEP that provides for elective employee contributions even if the contributions are made under a salary reduction agreement. Use Form 5305A-SEP, or a nonmodel SEP.

**Note.** SEPs permitting elective deferrals cannot be established after 1996.

**Eligible employees.** All eligible employees must be allowed to participate in the SEP. An eligible employee is any employee who: (1) is at least 21 years old, and (2) has performed "service" for you in at least 3 of the immediately preceding 5 years. You can establish less restrictive eligibility requirements, but not more restrictive ones.

Service is any work performed for you for any period of time, however short. If you are a member of an affiliated service group, a controlled group of corporations, or trades or businesses under common control, service includes any work performed for any period of time for any other member of such group, trades, or businesses.

**Excludable employees.** The following employees do not have to be covered by the

SEP: (1) employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement whose retirement benefits were bargained for in good faith by you and their union, (2) nonresident alien employees who did not earn U.S. source income from you, and (3) employees who received less than \$450\* in compensation during the year.

**Contribution limits.** You may make an annual contribution of up to 25% of the employee's compensation or \$41,000\*, whichever is less. Compensation, for this purpose, does not include employer contributions to the SEP or the employee's compensation in excess of \$205,000\*. If you also maintain a salary reduction SEP, contributions to the two SEPs together may not exceed the smaller of \$41,000\* or 25% of compensation for any employee.

You are not required to make contributions every year, but when you do, you must contribute to the SEP-IRAs of all eligible employees who actually performed services during the year of the contribution. This includes eligible employees who die or quit working before the contribution is made.

Contributions cannot discriminate in favor of highly compensated employees. Also, you may not integrate your SEP contributions with, or offset them by, contributions made under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA).

If this SEP is intended to meet the top-heavy minimum contribution rules of section 416, but it does not cover all your employees who participate in your salary reduction SEP, then you must make minimum contributions to IRAs established on behalf of those employees.

**Deducting contributions.** You may deduct contributions to a SEP subject to the limits of section 404(h). This SEP is maintained on a calendar year basis and contributions to the

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<sup>\*</sup> For 2005 and later years, this amount is subject to annual cost-of-living adjustments. The IRS announces the increase, if any, in a news release, in the Internal Revenue Bulletin, and on the IRS website at www.irs.gov.

SEP are deductible for your tax year with or within which the calendar year ends. Contributions made for a particular tax year must be made by the due date of your income tax return (including extensions) for that tax year.

**Completing the agreement.** This agreement is considered adopted when:

• IRAs have been established for all your eligible employees;

• You have completed all blanks on the agreement form without modification; and

• You have given all your eligible employees the following information:

1. A copy of Form 5305-SEP.

2. A statement that traditional IRAs other than the traditional IRAs into which employer SEP contributions will be made may provide different rates of return and different terms concerning, among other things, transfers and withdrawals of funds from the IRAs.

3. A statement that, in addition to the information provided to an employee at the time the employee becomes eligible to participate, the administrator of the SEP must furnish each participant within 30 days of the effective date of any amendment to the SEP, a copy of the amendment and a written explanation of its effects.

4. A statement that the administrator will give written notification to each participant of any employer contributions made under the SEP to that participant's IRA by the later of January 31 of the year following the year for which a contribution is made or 30 days after the contribution is made.

Employers who have established a SEP using Form 5305-SEP and have furnished each eligible employee with a copy of the completed Form 5305-SEP and provided the other documents and disclosures described in Instructions to the Employer and Information for the Employee, are not required to file the annual information returns, Forms 5500 or 5500-EZ for the SEP. However, under Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), this relief from the annual reporting requirements may not be available to an employer who selects, recommends, or influences its employees to choose IRAs into which contributions will be made under the SEP, if those IRAs are subject to provisions that impose any limits on a participant's ability to withdraw funds (other than restrictions imposed by the Code that apply to all IRAs). For additional information on Title I requirements, see the Department of Labor regulation at 29 CFR 2520.104-48.

#### Information for the Employee

The information below explains what a SEP is, how contributions are made, and how to treat your employer's contributions for tax purposes. For more information, see Pub. 590.

Simplified employee pension. A SEP is a written arrangement (a plan) that allows an employer to make contributions toward your retirement. Contributions are made to a traditional individual retirement account/annuity (traditional IRA). Contributions must be made to either a Model traditional IRA executed on an IRS form or a master or prototype traditional IRA for which the IRS has issued a favorable opinion letter. An employer is not required to make SEP contributions. If a contribution is made, however, it must be allocated to all eligible employees according to the SEP agreement. The Model SEP (Form 5305-SEP) specifies that the contribution for each eligible employee will be the same percentage of compensation (excluding compensation greater than \$205,000\*) for all employees.

Your employer will provide you with a copy of the agreement containing participation rules and a description of how employer contributions may be made to your IRA. Your employer must also provide you with a copy of the completed Form 5305-SEP and a yearly statement showing any contributions to your IRA.

All amounts contributed to your IRA by your employer belong to you even after you stop working for that employer.

**Contribution limits.** Your employer will determine the amount to be contributed to your IRA each year. However, the amount for any year is limited to the smaller of \$41,000\* or 25% of your compensation for that year. Compensation does not include any amount that is contributed by your employer to your IRA under the SEP. Your employer is not required to make contributions every year or to maintain a particular level of contributions.

Tax treatment of contributions. Employer contributions to your SEP-IRA are excluded from your income unless there are contributions in excess of the applicable limit. Employer contributions within these limits will not be included on your Form W-2.

**Employee contributions.** You may make regular IRA contributions to an IRA. However, the amount you can deduct may be reduced or eliminated because, as a participant in a SEP, you are covered by an employer retirement plan.

SEP participation. If your employer does not require you to participate in a SEP as a condition of employment, and you elect not to participate, all other employees of your employer may be prohibited from participating. If one or more eligible employees do not participate and the employer tries to establish a SEP for the remaining employees, it could cause adverse tax consequences for the participating employees.

An employer may not adopt this IRS Model SEP if the employer maintains another qualified retirement plan. This does not prevent your employer from adopting this IRS Model SEP and also maintaining an IRS Model Salary Reduction SEP or other SEP. However, if you work for several employers, you may be covered by a SEP of one employer and a different SEP or pension or profit-sharing plan of another employer.

SEP-IRA amounts—rollover or transfer to another IRA. You can withdraw or receive funds from your SEP-IRA if, within 60 days of receipt, you place those funds in the same or another IRA. This is called a "rollover" and can be done without penalty only once in any 1-year period. However, there are no restrictions on the number of times you may make "transfers" if you arrange to have these funds transferred between the trustees or the custodians so that you never have possession of the funds.

Withdrawals. You may withdraw your employer's contribution at any time, but any amount withdrawn is includible in your income unless rolled over. Also, if withdrawals occur before you reach age 59½, you may be subject to a tax on early withdrawal.

**Excess SEP contributions.** Contributions exceeding the yearly limitations may be withdrawn without penalty by the due date (plus extensions) for filing your tax return (normally April 15), but are includible in your gross income. Excess contributions left in your SEP-IRA after that time may have adverse tax consequences. Withdrawals of those contributions may be taxed as premature withdrawals.

**Financial institution requirements.** The financial institution where your IRA is maintained must provide you with a disclosure statement that contains the following information in plain, nontechnical language:

1. The law that relates to your IRA.

2. The tax consequences of various options concerning your IRA.

3. Participation eligibility rules, and rules on the deductibility of retirement savings.

4. Situations and procedures for revoking your IRA, including the name, address, and telephone number of the person designated to receive notice of revocation. This information must be clearly displayed at the beginning of the disclosure statement.

5. A discussion of the penalties that may be assessed because of prohibited activities concerning your IRA.

6. Financial disclosure that provides the following information:

a. Projects value growth rates of your IRA under various contribution and retirement schedules, or describes the method of determining annual earnings and charges that may be assessed.

b. Describes whether, and for when, the growth projections are guaranteed, or a statement of the earnings rate and the terms on which the projections are based.

c. States the sales commission for each year expressed as a percentage of \$1,000.

In addition, the financial institution must provide you with a financial statement each year. You may want to keep these statements to evaluate your IRA's investment performance.

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The time needed to complete this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is:

Recordkeeping .		1 hr., 40 min.
Learning about the		
law or the form .		1 hr., 35 min.
Preparing the form		1 hr., 41 min.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to the Internal Revenue Service, Tax Products Coordinating Committee, SE:W:CAR:MP:T:T:SP, 1111 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20224. Do not send this form to this address. Instead, keep it with your records.



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# SEP IRA DISCLOSURE: NOTICE FOR THE EMPLOYEES AND ADOPTING EMPLOYERS

#### I. SIMPLIFIED EMPLOYEE PENSION-DEFINED

A SEP is a retirement income arrangement.

The employer must provide the employee with a copy of the completed IRS Form 5305-SEP containing eligibility requirements and a description of the basis upon which contributions may be made.

All amounts contributed to the employees IRA belong to the employee, even after the employee no longer is employed by the employer.

#### II. MAKING THE AGREEMENT

This SEP agreement is considered made when:

The employer has completed IRS Form 5305-SEP and provided a copy to all eligible employees.

**Note:** An employer wishing to coordinate a Qualified Plan with the SEP Plan may not use IRS form 5305. Employers wishing to do this should contact their financial adviser regarding the use of a prototype or individually designed SEP document.

#### **III. ADDITIONAL TOP-HEAVY CONTRIBUTIONS**

If the employee is not a "key employee," the employer may be required to make an additional contribution to the employee's SEP for a year in which the SEP is considered "top heavy." (The employer will be able to tell the employee if he/she is a key employee.) This additional contribution will not exceed 3% of the employee's compensation. It may be less if the employer has already made a contribution to the employee's account, and for certain other reasons.

#### IV. DEDUCTIBILITY OF CONTRIBUTIONS

The employer may deduct, subject to applicable limits, those contributions made to a SEP. Contributions made for a particular tax year and contributed by the due date of the employer's income tax return, including extensions, are deemed made in that taxable year. The trustee of the SEP, however, reports the contribution on each employee's annual IRS Form 5498 for the calendar year in which it was made.

#### V. SEP CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

Contributions to all SEP plans for 2017 may not exceed the lesser of \$54,000 or 25% of compensation for any employee (subject to cost of living adjustments).

#### VI. EXCESS SEP CONTRIBUTIONS

The employer is responsible for notifying each affected employee, if any, within 2½ months following the end of the plan year, of the amount of excess SEP contributions to that employee's SEP. Such excess SEP contributions are includible in the employee's

gross income in the calendar year the contribution was made. This may require the employee to file an amended individual income tax return. However, if the excess SEP contributions total less than \$100, then the excess contributions are includible in the employee's gross income in the calendar year of notification. Income allocable to the excess SEP contributions is includible in gross income in the year of withdrawal from the IRA.

The employee is responsible for withdrawing the excess SEP contribution and Net Income Attributable from the IRA. The employee may withdraw these amounts without penalty until April 15 following the calendar year in which the employee was notified by his/her employer of the excess SEP contributions.

If the employer fails to notify any of its affected employees within 2½ months following the end of the plan year of an excess SEP contribution, the employer must pay a tax equal to 10% of the excess SEP contribution. If the employer fails to notify its employees by the end of the plan year following the plan year in which the excess SEP contributions arose, the SEP no longer will be considered to meet the requirements of IRC Section 408(k)(6). If the SEP no longer meets the requirements of IRC section 408(k)(6), then any contribution to an employee's IRA will be subject to the IRA contribution limitations of IRC Sections 219 and 408 and thus may be considered an excess contribution to the employee's IRA.

If the employee fails to withdraw the excess SEP contributions by April 15 following the calendar year of notification, the excess SEP contributions will be subject to the IRA contribution limitations of IRC Sections 219 and 408 and thus may be considered an excess contribution to the employee's IRA. Thus, such excess SEP contributions may be subject to 6% excise tax for each year they remain in the employee's IRA.

Also, if the employee does not withdraw the income on these excess SEP contributions by April 15 following the calendar year of notification by the employer, the income may be subject to a 10% tax on early distributions if the employee is not 59½ when he/she withdraws it.

The employer's notification to each affected employee of the excess SEP contributions must specifically state in a manner calculated to be understood by the average employee:

- A. The amount of excess SEP contribution;
- B. The calendar year in which the excess SEP contribution is includible in gross income; and
- C. That the employee must withdraw the excess SEP contributions (and net income attributable) from the SEP by April 15 following the calendar year of notification by the employer. Any excess contribution not withdrawn by April 15 following the year of notification will be subject to the IRA contribution limitations of IRC Sections 219 and 408 for the preceding calendar year and thus may be considered an excess contribution to the employee's IRA. Such excess contributions may be subject to the 6% tax on

excess contributions under IRC Section 4973. If the net income attributable to an excess SEP contribution is not withdrawn by April 15 following the calendar year of notification by the employer, the income may be subject to the 10% tax on early distributions under IRC Section 72(t) when withdrawn.

For information on reporting excess SEP contributions, see Notice 87-77, 1987-2 C.B. 385, and Notice 88-33, 1988-1 C.B. 513, as modified by Notice 89-32, 1989-1 C.B. 671.

#### VII. INCOME ALLOCABLE TO EXCESS AMOUNTS

The rules for determining the Net Income Attributable to an excess SEP contribution are the same as those governing regular IRA contributions. The trustee or custodian of the employees SEP will inform the employee of the Net Income Attributable to excess amounts.

#### VIII. AVAILABILITY OF IRA CONTRIBUTION DEDUCTION TO SEP PARTICIPANTS

In addition to any SEP amounts, the employee may contribute the lesser of \$5,500 (for 2017) or 100% of compensation to an IRA. However, the amount that the employee may deduct is subject to various limitations. See IRS Publication 590 for more specific information.

#### IX. SEP AMOUNTS ROLLOVER OR TRANSFER TO ANOTHER IRA

The employee may withdraw, or receive, funds from his/her SEP, and re-contribute the funds to the same or another IRA within 60 calendar days. This is called a "rollover" and may not be done without penalty more frequently than once every 12 months. However, there are no restrictions on the number of times that an employee may make "transfers" if the employee arranges to have such funds transferred between trustees/custodians so that the employee never has constructive receipt of the funds.

An employee may not roll over or transfer an excess SEP contribution from his/her SEP to another IRA. These excess amounts may be reduced only by a distribution to the employee.

## X. FILING REQUIREMENTS

The employee does not need to file any additional forms with the IRS because of participation in the SEP.

#### XI. FINANCIAL INSTITUTION WHERE IRA IS ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION

The financial institution must provide the employee with a Traditional IRA Disclosure Statement and Trust Agreement booklet that contains the following items of information in plain non-technical language.

- 1. The statutory requirements that relate to the IRA;
- The tax consequences that follow the exercise of various options and what those options are;
- 3. Participation eligibility rules and rules on the deductibility and non-deductibility of retirement savings;

- 4. The circumstances and procedures under which the employee may revoke the IRA including the name, address, and telephone number of persons designated to receive notice of revocation (this explanation must be prominently displayed at the beginning of the disclosure statement);
- 5. Explanations of when penalties may be assessed against the employee because of specified prohibited or penalized activities concerning the IRA; and
- 6. Financial disclosure information which:

Either projects value, growth, rates of the IRA under various contribution and retirement schedules, or describes the method of computing and allocation annual earnings and charges which may be assessed;

Describes whether, and for what period, the growth projections for the plan are guaranteed or a statement of earnings rate and terms on which these projections are based, and;

States the sales commission to be charged in each year expressed as a percentage of \$1,000.

See Publication 590, "Individual Retirement Arrangements," which is available at most IRS offices, for a more complete explanation of the disclosure requirements.

In addition to the disclosure statement, the financial institution is required to provide the employee with a financial statement each year. It may be necessary to retain and refer to statements for more than one year in order to evaluate the investment performance of the employee's IRA and in order that he/she will know how to report IRA distributions for tax purposes.

#### **XII. FOR MORE INFORMATION**

This Notice is provided for informational purposes only and is not intended to be complete guide for every employer or situation. Please refer to IRS Publication 590 and 560 for specific information regarding SEPs.



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# SEP IRA DISCLOSURE: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS (FOR EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS)

The information provided below explains what a Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) plan is, how contributions are made, and how to treat your employer's contributions for tax purposes. Please read the questions and answers carefully. For more specific information, see IRS Publications 590 and 560 and review the completed IRS Form 5305-SEP for your specific plan.

#### Q1 What is a SEP?

A SEP is a written arrangement (retirement plan) that allows an employer to make contributions on behalf of its employees. Contributions are made to a Traditional Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA).

The employer provides each eligible employee with a copy of a completed IRS Form 5305-SEP, containing participation rules and a description of how employer contributions may be made to the employee's IRA.

All amounts contributed by an employer immediately and irrevocably belong to the employee whose IRA the funds were contributed to.

#### Q2 What are the benefits of a SEP?

Because a SEP combines the advantages of a qualified plan with the simplicity of an IRA, the benefits are many:

- It is simple Because of the way a SEP is designed, the employer has no complicated reporting requirements. Each participant employee can open their own IRA (to receive the SEP contributions from the employer), and chose their own IRA custodian and investments, thus relieving the employer of administrative responsibilities.
- It is low cost Each employee maintains his/her own IRA to hold SEP contributions, so the employer avoids hefty maintenance fees that traditional employer-sponsored retirement plans often incur.
- It is tax deductible The employer is permitted (but not required) to contribute on behalf of each employee an amount up to the lesser of 25% of the employee's compensation or the annual statutory<sup>1</sup> maximum, whichever is less. The employee's annual compensation is capped by a statutory maximum as well.<sup>2</sup>

#### Q3 How does a SEP work?

Once the employee's IRA has been established, the employer can make SEP contributions directly into that employee's IRA. There are no special distribution rules and no extra reporting requirements, other than IRA Form 5498. Distributions are reported using IRS Form 1099-R.

#### Q4 What types of employers can offer a SEP to its employees?

Any incorporated or unincorporated business, partnership, or a self-employed individual can have a SEP.

#### Q5 How do I open a SEP?

The steps to open a SEP are:

- 1. The employer completes IRS Form 5305-SEP. The employer provides a copy of the completed Form 5305-SEP to each eligible employee and keeps the original. Form 5305-SEP outlines the terms and conditions of the employer's SEP.
- Each eligible employee, or the employer on behalf of the employee, completes a Traditional IRA Adoption Agreement and Designation of Beneficiary form, checking the SEP IRA box, to establish an IRA. A SEP can hold both the employee's annual IRA contribution as well as the employer's SEP contribution on behalf of the employee.

#### Q6 How are SEP contributions reported?

Employer SEP contributions are reported as employer contributions on IRS Form 5498, in the calendar year they are made. The employer reports the tax year that the contribution is to be applied to on its business tax return. An employee's annual contribution is also reported on IRS Form 5498, however, it is reported for the tax year in which it is made, not the calendar year for which it was made.

#### Q7 <u>Do all employees have to be covered by an employer's</u> <u>SEP</u>?

The employer establishes the eligibility requirements when completing IRS Form 5305-SEP, and all eligible employees must participate. However, the requirements set by the employer cannot exceed the maximum requirements established by the IRS:

- 1. the employee must be at least 21 years old;
- 2. the employee has to have earned at least \$500;3
- 3. the employee must have received compensation for up to three of the five prior years.

#### Q8 Does the employer have to contribute every year?

No. An employer is not required to make SEP contributions. However, if a contribution is made, it must be allocated to all the eligible employees according to the SEP Agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The statutory maximum may be adjusted each year by the US Department of Treasury for Cost-of-Living Adjustments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The statutory maximum may be adjusted each year by the US Department of Treasury for Cost-of-Living Adjustments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The statutory minimum may be adjusted each year by the US Department of Treasury for Cost-of-Living Adjustments.

# Q9 <u>Can an employee also contribute to an IRA if he/she is a</u> participant in a SEP?

Yes. The employee can contribute his/her annual maximum individual IRA contribution to the same SEP that accepts the employer contribution, or a different Roth or Traditional IRA. However, the employee may be limited or excluded from deducting all or a portion of his/her individual IRA contribution from his/her gross income because he/she is a participant in a SEP.

#### Q10 What if an employee does not want to participate in a SEP?

If the employer does not require the employee to participate in the employer's SEP as a condition of employment, and the employee elects to not participate, all other employees of the employer may be prohibited from participating. If one or more eligible employees do not participate and the employer tries to establish a SEP for the remaining employees, it could cause adverse tax consequences for the participating employees.

#### Q11 <u>Can the employee immediately withdraw employer</u> contributions made to his/her SEP?

Yes. The employee is immediately 100% vested in the employer contributions.

#### Q12 <u>Can an employee participate in a SEP if he/she is</u> <u>covered by another retirement/pension plan?</u>

An employer cannot adopt a SEP, using IRS Form 5305-SEP, in conjunction with another pension plan, such as a 401(k) or Profit Sharing Plan, thus the employee cannot be covered by both with the same employer. However, if the employee works for more than one employer, he/she can be covered by a pension plan with one employer and a SEP by another employer.

If an employer wishes to coordinate a SEP plan with another Qualified Plan it must use a prototype or individually designed document. Employers wishing to do this should seek the advice of a financial advisor.