Department of the Treasury - Internal Revenue Service Date **Employee Plan Deficiency Checksheet** Form **6040** Attachment # 1 (Rev. January 2006) **Minimum Participation Standards** For IRS Use Please furnish the amendment(s) requested in the section(s) checked below. 140 of the plan should be amended to comply with the minimum age and service requirements of IRC section 410(a)(1) and Regs. sections 1.410(a)-3, 1.410(a)-3T and 1.410(a)-7(c). I.b. of the plan should be amended to provide that once an employee, otherwise eligible, 104 meets the statutory age and service requirements, the employee will participate in the plan not later than the earlier of the first day of the first plan year after such employee has met the statutory requirements, or 6 months I.c. after the day such requirements are met. IRC section 410(a)(4) and Regs. sections 1.410(a)-4(b) and 1.410(a)-7(c)(3). 105,106 For plan years beginning on or after January 1, 1988, a plan may not exclude from participation on account of maximum age any employee with an hour of service on or after that date. For purposes of determining when such an employee (who is not otherwise ineligible to participate) must become eligible to partici-I.d. pate, service credited to the employee in plan years beginning before January 1, 1988 must be taken into account. An employee who would be eligible to participate taking such service into account and whose entry date would be before the first day of the first plan year beginning in 1988 must participate in the plan as of the first day of such of the plan should be amended accordingly. IRC section 410(a)(2) as amended plan year. Section _ by section 9203(a)(2) of Pub. L. 99-509 and Proposed Regs. section 1.410(a)-4A. For purposes of eligibilty to partcipate, section ___ of the plan should be amended to specify 111 the computation period to be used for determining years of eligibility service. DOL Regs. sections 2530.200b-1 (a) and 2530.202-2. II.a. 112 of the plan should be amended to credit an employee with a year of service for eligibility purposes if the employee completes at least 1000 (870 or 750) hours of service in an eligibility computation period. IRC section 410(a)(3)(A) and DOL Regs. sections 2530.200b-1 and 2530.202. II.b. of the plan should be amended to define the term hour of service to comply with 113 DOL regulations. Such definition should include a statement regarding the computation period to which hours of service will be credited. DOL Regs. sections 2530,200b-1, 2530,200b-2 and 2530,200b-3. II.c. 114 of the plan should be amended to provide, either in its own words or by reference to appropriate DOL regulations, credit for hours of service for periods of time during which no duties are performed. DOL Regs. sections 2530.200b-2 and 2530.200b-3. II.d. For purposes of eligibility to participate, section ___ of the plan should be amended to provide 115 that the initial eligibility computation period used to determine whether an employee completes a year of service will be a 12-consecutive month period beginning with the employment commencement date. DOL Regs. II.e. sections 2530.202-2(a) and (e). 116 If the eligibility computation periods after the initial eligibility computation period are to be based on _ of the plan should be amended to provide other than anniversaries of employment, section ____ that such succeeding computation periods will begin with the plan year which includes the first anniversary of an II.f. employee's employment commencement date, in which case an employee will be credited with a year of eligibility service in each computation period that the employee completes at least 1000 (870 or 750) hours of service. IRC section 410(a)(3)(A).

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117	For purposes of eligibility to participate, section of the plan should be amended to define a break in service as the eligibility computation period during which the employee fails to complete more
II.g.	than 500 (435 or 375) hours of service. DOL Regs. section 2530.200b-(a)(1).
118	To apply the break in service rules, section of the plan should be amended to provide that the computation period used for measuring eligibility service will also be used to measure breaks in service. DOL Regs. section 2530.200b-4(a)(2).
II.h.	
119	Sectionof the plan should be amended to provide that an individual shall be credited with certain hours of service during the appropriate computation period to avoid a break in service if such individual is absent from work for any period by reason of: 1) pregnancy of the individual, 2) birth of a child of the individual, 3) placement of a child with the individual in connection with an adoption, or 4) caring for a child described in (2) or (3) immediately following such birth or placement. IRC section 410(a)(5)(E).
II.i.	
120	Section of the plan should be amended to provide that a vested participant, or a nonvested participant whose prior service cannot be disregarded under IRC 410(a)(5), who is reemployed after a break in service (period of severance), will either participate immediately on his or her reemployment commencement date or retroactively as of his or her date of reemployment upon completion of a year of service measured by his or her reemployment commencement date. IRC sections 410(a)(5)(C) and (D) and Regs. sections 1.410(a)(5) and 1.410(a)-7(c)(5).
II.j.	
121	Section of the plan should be amended to provide that a vested participant, or a nonvested participant whose prior service cannot be disregarded under IRC 410(a)(5), who is reemployed after a
II.k.	ak in service (period of severance), will either participate immediately on his or her reemployment or oactively, as of his or her date of reemployment, upon completion of a year of service measured by his or her mployment commencement date. IRC sections 410(a)(5)(C) and (D) and Regs. section 1.410(a)-4.
131	Sectionof the plan should be amended to credit an employee with a period of service, commencing no later than the employee's employment commencement date and ending no earlier than
III.a.	the severance from service date. Regs. section 1.410(a)-7(c).
132	Section of the plan should be amended so that an employee's total period of service is determined by aggregating all individual periods of service, unless such periods of service may be disregarded under the rule of parity. Regs. sections 1.410(a)-7(b)(6)(ii) and 1.410(a)-7(c)(2)(iv).
III.b.	
133	Section of the plan should be amended so that, in determining an employee's period of service, the plan takes into account the service spanning rules. Regs. section 1.410(a)-7(c)(2)(iii).
III.c.	
134	When a plan has a service requirement and uses the elapsed time method of crediting service, an employee must be considered to have satisfied that requirement as of the date he or she has credit for a
III.d.	period of service equal to the requirement. Section of the plan should be amended accordingly. See Regs. section 1.410(a)-7(c)(2).
135	Section of the plan should be amended to define a one year period of severance as a 12-consecutive month period beginning on the severance from service date during which the employee does
III.e.	not perform an hour of service for the employer. Regs. section 1.410(a)-7(c)(4).
141	Section of the plan should be amended to provide that an individual should not incur the first 12 month period of severance that would otherwise be counted if said period is attributable to
	maternity or paternity leave IRC section 410(a)(5)(F) and Regs section 1.410(a)-9

137	Section of the plan should be amended to provide that a vested participant, or a nonvested participant whose prior service cannot be disregarded under IRC 410(a)(5) who is reemployed after a break-in-service (period of severance), will either participate immediately on his or her reemployment commencement date or retroactively as of his or her date of reemployment upon completion of a year of service measured by his or her reemployment commencement date. IRC sections 410(a)(5)(C) and (D) and Regs. sections 1.410(a)-4, 1.410(a)-7(c)(5), and (6).
III.g.	
138	Section of the plan should be amended to provide that a vested participant, or a nonvested participant whose prior service cannot be disregarded under IRC 410(a)(5), who is reemployed after a
III.h.	break-in-service (period of severance), will either participate immediately on his or her reemployment commencement date or retroactively as of his or her date of reemployment upon completion of a year of service measured by his or her reemployment commencement date. IRC sections 410(a)(5)(C) and (D) and Regs. sections 1.410(a)-4, 1.410(a)-7(c)(5), and (6).