- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

- (1) Type of information collection: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.
- (2) The title of the form/collection: Project Safe Neighborhoods Semi-Annual Researcher Reporting Form.
- (3) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the department sponsoring the collection: Form number: none. Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice.
- (4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or Households. Other: Business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; Federal Governments; and state, local, or tribal government. The data, which will be submitted via the Semi-Annual Researcher Reporting Form in a timely fashion by the research for each of the 94 judicial districts, is essential to understanding gun violence at a national level. By collecting both outcome and intervention measures, the Department can identify programs that demonstrate success in reducing targeted gun crime. This information is essential to evaluating the program and providing feedback at the national level that can inform management decisions. Additionally, this data will assist the Department in discharging its obligations under the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA).
- (5) An estimate of the number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply: It is estimated that 93 respondents will complete the form in approximately one hour twice a year.
- (6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The estimated total public burden associated with this application is 186 hours.

If additional information is required contact: Mrs. Brenda E. Dyer, Deputy Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Policy and Planning Staff, Justice Management Division, Suite 1600, Patrick Henry Building, 601 D Street NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: August 29, 2003.

Brenda E. Dver,

Deputy Clearance Officer, Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration

[Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2003– 27; Exemption Application No. D-10992 et al.]

Grant of Individual Exemptions; Local 705 International Brotherhood of Teamsters Pension Plan (the Plan)

AGENCY: Employee Benefits Security Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Grant of individual exemptions.

SUMMARY: This document contains exemptions issued by the Department of Labor (the Department) from certain of the prohibited transaction restrictions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (the Act) and/or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code).

A notice was published in the **Federal** Register of the pendency before the Department of a proposal to grant such exemption. The notice set forth a summary of facts and representations contained in the application for exemption and referred interested persons to the application for a complete statement of the facts and representations. The application has been available for public inspection at the Department in Washington, DC. The notice also invited interested persons to submit comments on the requested exemption to the Department. In addition the notice stated that any interested person might submit a written request that a public hearing be held (where appropriate). The applicant has represented that it has complied with the requirements of the notification to interested persons. No requests for a hearing were received by the Department. Public comments were received by the Department as described in the granted exemption.

The notice of proposed exemption was issued and the exemption is being granted solely by the Department because, effective December 31, 1978, section 102 of Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1978, 5 U.S.C. App. 1 (1996), transferred the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to issue exemptions of the type proposed to the Secretary of Labor.

Statutory Findings

In accordance with section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code and the procedures set forth in 29 CFR Part 2570, Subpart B (55 FR 32836, 32847, August 10, 1990) and based upon the entire record, the Department makes the following findings:

- (a) The exemption is administratively feasible:
- (b) The exemption is in the interests of the plan and its participants and beneficiaries; and
- (c) The exemption is protective of the rights of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan.

Local 705 International Brotherhood of Teamsters Pension Plan (the Plan) Located in Chicago, Illinois

[Prohibited Transaction Exemption No. 2003–27; Application No. D–10992]

Exemption

The restrictions of sections 406(a) and 406(b)(1) and (b)(2) of the Act and the sanctions resulting from the application of section 4975 of the Code, by reason of section 4975(c)(1)(A) through (E) of the Code, shall not apply to the proposed purchase of a 10 ft. x 52.6 ft. parcel of real property (the Property) by the West Side Realty Corporation, a wholly owned affiliate of the Plan from Local 705 Building Corporation (the Building Corporation), a party in interest with respect to the Plan. This exemption is conditioned upon the adherence to the material facts and representations described herein and upon the satisfaction of the following requirements:

- (a) The purchase of the Property by the Plan is a one-time transaction for cash:
- (b) The Plan pays no more than the lesser of: (i) \$147,000; or (ii) the fair market value of the Property as determined at the time of the transaction;
- (c) The fair market value of the Property is established by an independent, qualified, real estate appraiser that is unrelated to the Building Corporation or any other party in interest with respect to the Plan;

(d) The Plan will not pay any commissions or other expenses with respect to the transaction; and

(e) The Townsend Group, Institutional Real Estate Consultants, acting as an independent, qualified, fiduciary for the Plan, determines that the proposed transaction is in the best interest of the Plan and its participants and beneficiaries.

For a more complete statement of the facts and representations supporting the Department's decision to grant this

exemption, refer to the Notice of Proposed Exemption published on May 5, 2003 at 68 FR 23766.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Khalif I. Ford of the Department, telephone (202) 693–8540. (This is not a toll-free number.)

Raleigh Pathology Laboratory Associates, P.A. Profit Sharing Plan (the Plan) Located in Raleigh, NC

[Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2003–28; Exemption Application No. D–11171]

Exemption

The restrictions of sections 406(a), 406(b)(1) and (b)(2) of the Act and the sanctions resulting from the application of section 4975 of the Code, by reason of section 4975(c)(1)(A) through (E) of the Code,¹ shall not apply to the exchange of an unimproved waterfront lot (the Pine Knoll Shores Lot) owned by the Plan and allocated to the individually-directed account (the Account) in the Plan of James R. Edwards, M.D., for one unimproved tract of land (Parcel One) owned personally by Dr. Edwards and his spouse, Mrs. Delores Edwards.

This exemption is subject to the following conditions: (a) The exchange of the Pine Knoll Shores Lot between the Account and Dr. and Mrs. Edwards for Parcel One is a one-time transaction.

- (b) The fair market value of the Pine Knoll Shores Lot and Parcel One is determined by qualified, independent appraisers, who will update their appraisal reports at the time the exchange is consummated.
- (c) For purposes of the exchange, Parcel One has a fair market value that is no less than the fair market value of the Pine Knoll Shores Lot at the time the transaction is consummated.
- (d) The terms and conditions of the exchange are at least as favorable to the Account as those obtainable in an arm'slength transaction with an unrelated party.
- (e) The exchange does not involve more than 25 percent of the Account's assets.
- (f) The exchange allows the Account to divest itself of property that is susceptible to hurricane damage and high maintenance costs, and it permits the Account to acquire virtually maintenance-proof property having increased liquidity.

(g) Dr. Edwards is the only participant in the Plan whose Account is affected by the transaction and he desires that such transaction be consummated.

For a more complete statement of the facts and representations supporting the Department's decision to grant this exemption, refer to the notice of proposed exemption published on June 24, 2003 at 68 FR 37545.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Blessed Chuksorji, telephone (202) 693–8567. (This is not a toll-free number.)

Valley OB-GYN Clinic P.C. Employees Pension Plan (the Plan) Located in Saginaw, Michigan

[Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2003–29; Application No. D–11172]

Exemption

The restrictions of sections 406(a), 406(b)(1) and (b)(2) of the Act and the sanctions resulting from the application of section 4975 of the Code, by reason of section 4975(c)(1)(A) through (E) of the Code, shall not apply to the loan of \$550,000 (the Loan) by the Plan to Valley OB-GYN Realty Company (the Company), a party in interest with respect to the Plan; provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

- a. The Loan does not exceed 25% of the total assets of the Plan at any time;
- b. The terms of the Loan are at least as favorable to the Plan as those terms which would exist in an arm's-length transaction with an unrelated party;
- c. The Loan is secured by a building which has a fair market value, as determined by an independent, qualified appraiser, of at least 150% of the outstanding principal balance of the Loan (plus accrued but unpaid interest) throughout its duration (unless other property is pledged as collateral, as noted below in condition f.);
- d. An independent, qualified fiduciary (the Independent Fiduciary) reviews the proposed terms and conditions of the Loan, and determines that the Loan is in the best interest and protective of the Plan and its participants and beneficiaries;
- e. The Independent Fiduciary monitors the Loan throughout its duration and takes whatever actions are necessary to safeguard the interests of the Plan and its participants and beneficiaries; and
- f. The Plan has the right, under the terms of the Loan and mortgage note related thereto, to require the Company to pledge additional property as collateral for the Loan, in the event such

property is needed to maintain full collateralization at the amount specified herein.

For a more complete statement of the facts and representations supporting the Department's decision to grant this exemption, refer to the notice of proposed exemption published on June 24, 2003 at 68 FR 37546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ekaterina A. Uzlyan of the Department at (202) 693–8540. (This is not a toll-free number.)

General Information

The attention of interested persons is directed to the following:

- (1) The fact that a transaction is the subject of an exemption under section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code does not relieve a fiduciary or other party in interest or disqualified person from certain other provisions to which the exemption does not apply and the general fiduciary responsibility provisions of section 404 of the Act, which among other things require a fiduciary to discharge his duties respecting the plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan and in a prudent fashion in accordance with section 404(a)(1)(B) of the Act; nor does it affect the requirement of section 401(a) of the Code that the plan must operate for the exclusive benefit of the employees of the employer maintaining the plan and their beneficiaries;
- (2) This exemption is supplemental to and not in derogation of, any other provisions of the Act and/or the Code, including statutory or administrative exemptions and transactional rules. Furthermore, the fact that a transaction is subject to an administrative or statutory exemption is not dispositive of whether the transaction is in fact a prohibited transaction; and
- (3) The availability of this exemption is subject to the express condition that the material facts and representations contained in the application accurately describes all material terms of the transaction which is the subject of the exemption.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 2nd day of September, 2003.

Ivan Strasfeld,

Director of Exemption Determinations, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor.

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¹ For purposes of this exemption, references to specific provisions of title I of the Act, unless otherwise specified, refer also to the corresponding provisions of the Code.