

Standard Simplified Employee  
Pension (SEP) Plan  
Adoption Agreement

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**Standard Simplified Employee Pension Plan**  
**ADOPTION AGREEMENT**

**EMPLOYER INFORMATION**

Name of Adopting Employer \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Adopting Employer's Income Tax Year End \_\_\_\_\_  
(month) (day)  
Adopting Employer's Federal Tax Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE OF PLAN**

There are no elections required for Section One. Refer to the Basic Plan Document for information regarding this section.

**SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATES** *Check and complete Option A or B.*

- Option A:**  This is the initial adoption of a Simplified Employee Pension plan by the Employer.  
The Effective Date of this Plan is \_\_\_\_\_.  
**NOTE:** *The Effective Date is usually the first day of the Plan Year in which this Adoption Agreement is signed.*
- Option B:**  This is an amendment and restatement of an existing Simplified Employee Pension plan (a Prior Plan).  
The Prior Plan was initially effective on \_\_\_\_\_.  
The Effective Date of this amendment and restatement is \_\_\_\_\_.  
**NOTE:** *The Effective Date is usually the first day of the Plan Year in which this Adoption Agreement is signed.*

**SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION** *Complete Parts A through D, as appropriate.*

**Part A. Service Requirement**

An Employee will be eligible to become a Participant in the Plan after having performed service for the Employer during at least \_\_\_\_\_ (specify 0, 1, 2, or 3) of the immediately preceding five Plan Years.

**NOTE:** *If left blank, the service requirement will be deemed to be 0.*

For purposes of determining whether an Employee has met the service requirement, an Employee shall be given credit for service with the following predecessor employer(s). *(Complete if applicable)*

\_\_\_\_\_

**Part B. Age Requirement**

An Employee will be eligible to become a Participant in the Plan after attaining age \_\_\_\_\_ (no more than 21).

**NOTE:** *If left blank, it will be deemed there is no age requirement for eligibility.*

**Part C. Employees Employed as of Effective Date**

Will an Employee employed as of the Effective Date of this Plan who has not otherwise met the age and service requirements of the Plan be considered to have met those requirements as of the Effective Date? *(Select one)*

**Option 1:**  Yes.

**Option 2:**  No.

**NOTE:** *If no option is selected, Option 2 shall be deemed to be selected.*

**Part D. Class of Employees Eligible to Participate**

All Employees shall be eligible to become Participants in the Plan, except the following. *(Select any that apply)*

- Collective bargaining unit Employees as described in Section 3.02(A) of the Plan.
- Non-resident aliens as described in Section 3.02(B) of the Plan.
- Acquired Employees as described in Section 3.02(C) of the Plan.
- Employees who have received less than \$450 (indexed for cost-of-living increases in accordance with Code section 408(k)(8)) of Compensation from the Employer during the Plan Year as described in Section 3.02(D) of the Plan.

**SECTION 4. CONTRIBUTIONS AND ALLOCATIONS** *Complete Parts A and B, as appropriate.*

**Part A. Contribution Formula** *(Select Option 1 or 2)*

**Option 1:**  **Discretionary Formula.** For each Plan Year the Employer will contribute an amount to be determined from year to year.

**Option 2:**  **Fixed Percent of Profits Formula.** \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the Employer's profits that are in excess of \$\_\_\_\_\_  
**NOTE:** *If no option is selected, Option 1 shall be deemed to be selected.*

**Part B. Allocation Formula** (Select Option 1, 2, or 3)

**Option 1:**  **Pro Rata Formula.** The Employer Contribution for each Plan Year shall be allocated in the manner described in Section 4.01(B)(1) of the Plan.

**Option 2:**  **Flat Dollar Formula.** The Employer Contributions allocated to the IRAs of Participants, shall be the same dollar amount for each Participant.

**Option 3:**  **Integrated Formula.** The Employer Contribution shall be allocated in the manner described in Section 4.01(B)(2) of the Plan.

For purposes of the integrated formula, the integration level shall be: (Select one)

**Suboption (a):**  The Taxable Wage Base (TWB).

**Suboption (b):**  \_\_\_\_\_% of the TWB.

**NOTE:** If no Suboption is selected, Suboption (a) (Taxable Wage Base) shall be deemed to be selected.

**NOTE:** If no option is selected in Part B, Option 1 (Pro Rata Formula) shall be deemed to be selected.

**SECTION 5. COMPENSATION AND PLAN YEAR ELECTIONS** Complete Parts A and B, as appropriate.

**Part A. Compensation**

For purposes of Employer Contributions, Compensation will mean all of each Participant's: (Select one)

**Option 1:**  W-2 wages.

**Option 2:**  Section 3401(a) wages.

**Option 3:**  415 safe-harbor compensation.

**NOTE:** If no option is selected, Option 1 shall be deemed to be selected.

**Part B. Plan Year** (Select one)

**Option 1:**  The 12-consecutive month period which coincides with the Adopting Employer's fiscal year.

**Option 2:**  The calendar year.

**Option 3:**  Other 12-consecutive month period. (Specify a 12-consecutive month period selected in a uniform and nondiscriminatory manner) \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** If no option is selected, Option 1 shall be deemed to be selected.

If the initial Plan Year is a short Plan Year (i.e., less than 12 months), specify such Plan Year's beginning and ending dates.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 6.** There are no elections required for Section Six. Refer to the Basic Plan Document for information regarding this section.

**SECTION 7. EMPLOYER SIGNATURE**

**I acknowledge that I have relied upon my own advisors regarding the completion of this Adoption Agreement and the legal and tax implications of adopting this Plan. I understand that my failure to properly complete this Adoption Agreement may result in adverse tax consequences. I have received a copy of this Adoption Agreement and the Basic Plan Document.**

Signature of Adopting Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_

(Type Name) \_\_\_\_\_

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