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JEFFERSON-PILOT CORPORATION FORM OF ELECTION AND LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL The Election Deadline is 5:00 p.m. New York City time on March 28, 2006, unless otherwise determined (see below). If your Jefferson-Pilot shares are held in certificated form, your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s) must be delivered with your properly completed Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal (unless you follow the procedures for guaranteed delivery).

Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated October 9, 2005, as amended (the Merger Agreement ), as described and set forth in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus dated February 9, 2006, upon consummation of the merger each share of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation will be converted into the right to receive either Lincoln National Corporation common stock or cash. As a Jefferson-Pilot shareholder, you are being given the opportunity to elect for each Jefferson-Pilot share:

1.0906 shares of Lincoln National common stock (the stock election ) or

\$55.96 in cash (the cash election ).

Your election is subject to certain proration rules contained in Section 2.1 of the Merger Agreement, as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus. For more details on the merger consideration and proration rules, see The Merger Agreement Elections beginning on page 99 of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus. For a full discussion of the merger and the effect of this election, see the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus. I/We the undersigned, surrender to you for exchange the share(s) identified below. I/We certify that I/we have complied with all requirements as stated in the instructions on the reverse side is/are the registered holder(s) of the

complied with all requirements as stated in the instructions on the reverse side, is/are the registered holder(s) of the shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock represented by the enclosed certificate(s), have full authority to surrender these certificate(s) and give the instructions in this Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal and warrant that the shares represented by these certificate(s) are free and clear of all liens, restrictions, adverse claims and encumbrances.

**Signature**: This form **must** be signed by the registered holder(s) exactly as their name(s) appears on the certificate(s) or by person(s) authorized to sign on behalf of the registered holder(s) by documents transmitted herewith.

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Signature of Stockholder	Date	Daytime Telephone #
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Signature of Stockholder	Date	Daytime Telephone #
	SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9	

PLEASE CERTIFY YOUR TAXPAYER ID OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER BY SIGNING BELOW.

If the Taxpayer ID Number printed above is **INCORRECT** OR if the

space is **BLANK** write in the **CORRECT** number here. è o o o o o o o

Under penalties of perjury. I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- 3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

  Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. If you are waiting for a Taxpayer ID Number to be issued to you, you must fill out the complete Substitute Form W-9 included in the instruction booklet, instead of the Substitute Form W-9 included in this box.

Signature:	Date:

#### PLACE AN x IN ONE ELECTION BOX ONLY

o All Cash Election Only

o All Stock Election Only

(SHARES ELECTED FOR CASH)

o Mixed Election\*

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WHOLE SHARES FRACTIONS

All elections are subject to the proration rules contained in the Merger Agreement, as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

If you do not elect from the above boxes, your shares will be deemed Non-Election shares as defined in the Merger Agreement. For additional information see the Instruction Booklet.

After the Closing, the Exchange Agent will send you a statement listing the merger consideration that you have received. If you wish to request physical share certificates for any Lincoln National common stock that you receive in the merger, please follow the instructions on that statement.

If your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s) are lost, missing or destroyed please contact Wachovia Bank, N.A. by telephone at 1-800-829-8432 or by email at equityservices@wachovia.com. See Instruction 8.

#### **Special Transfer Instructions**

#### **Special Mailing Instructions**

If you want your Lincoln
National common stock, your
check for fractional shares,
and/or your check for cash to be
issued in another name, fill in
this section with the information
for the <u>new</u> account name.

**Signature Guarantee Medallion** 

Fill in ONLY if mailing to someone other than as set forth above Box 1 or to an address other than as set forth above Box 1.

Mail certificate(s) and/or check(s) to:

Name (Please Print First, Middle & Last Name)

(Title of Officer Signing this Guarantee)

Name (Please Print First, Middle & Last Name)

Address

(Number and Street)

(Name of Guarantor Please Print)

Address

(Number and Street)

(City, State & Zip Code)

(Address of Guarantor Firm)

(Tax Identification or Social Security Number)

(City, State & Zip Code)

Completing this Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal does not have the effect of casting a vote with respect to adoption

of the Merger Agreement and approval of the related transactions at the special meeting of Jefferson-Pilot shareholders.

<sup>\*</sup> Remaining shares are elected for stock.

The Election Deadline is 5:00 p.m. New York City time on March 28, 2006, unless extended by Lincoln National and Jefferson-Pilot prior to March 28, 2006 (or such later date if extended). Any change to the Election Deadline will be announced by joint press release. This means that if Mellon Investor Services LLC (the Exchange Agent) has not RECEIVED an effective Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal (and, if your Jefferson-Pilot shares are held in certificated form, your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s)) from you at the its designated office by 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on March 28, 2006 (or such other extended deadline), you will be deemed to have made no election and your shares of Jefferson-Pilot common stock will be deemed to be Non-Election Shares (as defined in the Merger Agreement). Holders of Non-Election Shares in certificated form will receive a separate Letter of Transmittal after the Closing of the Merger which they can use in order to receive the merger consideration payable to holders of Non-Election Shares.

#### Shares Held by a Broker, Bank or Other Nominee; Book-entry Transfer

If some of your shares are held in street name by a broker, bank or other nominee, please contact your broker, bank or other nominee for instructions on what to do with those shares, and follow those instructions. These instructions may require that you and your broker, bank or other nominee complete and deliver to the Exchange Agent the enclosed Notice of Guaranteed Delivery.

### **Change or Revocation of Election**

Any Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal may be revoked or changed by written notice from the person submitting such form. To change your election, you must submit a new properly completed Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal to the Exchange Agent. The Exchange Agent must receive this new form on or before the Election Deadline. You may revoke your election and receive your shares back by providing the Exchange Agent with a written notice of revocation. This written notice of revocation must be received by the Exchange Agent prior to the Election Deadline.

Any notice of revocation must specify the registered holder(s) listed in Box 1 above and the number of shares to be withdrawn along with the corresponding certificate numbers. The notice of revocation must be signed by the registered holder(s) listed in Box 1 and must include a signature guarantee medallion.

If your Jefferson-Pilot common stock is held in street name through a broker, bank or other nominee, your broker, bank or other nominee may have a deadline to make your original election of cash, stock or both or to change or revoke your election that is earlier than the Election Deadline.

Please refer to the other documents included in your packet for additional instructions and information.

# RESTRICTED AREA DO NOT PRINT AND/OR WRITE IN THIS BLANK SPACE.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE FORM OF ELECTION AND LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL PLEASE NOTE: TOTAL SHARES YOU HOLD ARE LISTED ABOVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS (STOCK

#### CERTIFICATE SHARES ON THE LEFT AND BOOK-ENTRY SHARES ON THE RIGHT)

Sign, date and include your daytime telephone number in this Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal in Box 1 and, after completing all other applicable sections, return this form and your stock certificate(s) in the enclosed envelope. You will not have stock certificates to send in for any shares that are held for you in book-entry form by Jefferson-Pilot s transfer agent, including those shares held in Jefferson-Pilot s Dividend Reinvestment Plan. The number of shares held in book-entry form as of February 15, 2006 is shown on the front of this form. If you have shares held for you in book-entry form, your election will cover the number of shares held for you in book-entry form at the Election Deadline, not the number of shares shown on this Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal.

#### YOU MUST SIGN IN BOX 2 TO CERTIFY YOUR TAXPAYER ID OR SOCIAL SECURITY

**NUMBER** if you are a U.S. Taxpayer. If the Taxpayer ID or Social Security Number is incorrect or blank, write the corrected number in Box 2 and sign to certify. Please note that Mellon Investor Services may withhold 28% of your proceeds as required by the IRS if the Taxpayer ID or Social Security Number is not certified on our records. If you are a non-U.S. Taxpayer, please complete and return form W-8BEN. **If you are waiting for a Taxpayer ID Number to be issued to you, you must fill out the complete Substitute Form W-9 included in the instruction booklet.** 

If you are electing to receive all cash, please check this box only. All elections are subject to the proration rules contained in the Merger Agreement, as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

If you are electing to receive all stock, please check this box only. All elections are subject to the proration rules contained in the Merger Agreement, as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

If you are electing to receive a combination of cash and Lincoln National common stock, please check this box only and indicate the number of shares for which you are electing to receive cash. The remaining Jefferson-Pilot shares will be elected for Lincoln National common stock. All elections are subject to the proration rules contained in the Merger Agreement, as described in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

If you want your Lincoln National common stock, your check for fractional shares, and/or your check for cash to be issued in another name, complete the Special Transfer Instructions in Box 6. Signature(s) in Box 6 must be guaranteed by an officer of a commercial bank, trust company, credit union or savings & loan who is a member of the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program (STAMP), or by a stockbroker who is a member of STAMP. The signature of a Notary Public is not acceptable for this purpose.

If you want your Lincoln National common stock, your check for fractional shares, and/or your check for cash to be delivered to someone other than as set forth above Box 1, or to an address other than as set forth above Box 1, complete the Special Delivery Instructions in Box 7.

If you cannot locate some or all of your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificates, please contact Wachovia Bank, N.A., Jefferson-Pilot s transfer agent, by telephone at 1-800-829-8432 or by email at equityservices@wachovia.com and provide your account name, address and daytime telephone number. **You should do this promptly.** 

## HOW TO CONTACT MELLON INVESTOR SERVICES

By Telephone 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, Monday through Friday, except for bank holidays: From within the U.S., Canada or Puerto Rico:

1-866-293-5636 (Toll Free)

From outside the U.S.:

1-201-680-6579 (Collect)

## WHERE TO FORWARD YOUR TRANSMITTAL MATERIALS

By Mail:	By Overnight Courier:	By Hand:
Mellon Investor Services LLC Attn: Reorganization Dept. P.O. Box 3301 South Hackensack, NJ 07606	Mellon Investor Services LLC Attn: Reorganization Dept. 480 Washington Boulevard Mail Drop Reorg Jersey City, NJ 07310	Mellon Investor Services LLC Attn: Reorganization Dept. 120 Broadway, 13th Floor New York, NY 10271

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE FORM OF ELECTION AND LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

These instructions are for the accompanying Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal for the registered shareholders of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation. All elections are subject to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated October 9, 2005, as amended, by and among Jefferson-Pilot Corporation (<u>Jefferson-Pilot</u>), Lincoln National Corporation (<u>Lin</u>coln), Quartz Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lincoln, and Lincoln JP Holdings, L.P., a wholly owned subsidiary of Lincoln (the <u>Merger Agreement</u>), a copy of which was furnished to shareholders as part of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus dated February 9, 2006 (the <u>Joint Proxy Statement/ Prospectus</u>).

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

The Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal is to be completed and submitted to Mellon Investor Services LLC (the <u>Exchange Agent</u>) prior to the Election Deadline (as defined below) by those holders of Jefferson-Pilot shares desiring to make an Election.

The <u>Election Deadline</u> is 5:00 p.m., New York City time on March 28, 2006, unless extended by Lincoln and Jefferson-Pilot prior to March 28, 2006. Any change to the Election Deadline will be announced by joint press release. If the Exchange Agent has not RECEIVED a properly completed Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal from a holder of shares of Jefferson-Pilot common stock at the Exchange Agent s designated office by the Election Deadline, such holder shall be deemed to have made no election and such holder s shares of Jefferson-Pilot common stock shall be deemed to be Non-Election Shares (as defined in the Merger Agreement).

Holders of Jefferson-Pilot stock certificates will also receive a separate Letter of Transmittal after the Closing of the merger if they have not previously submitted their stock certificate(s) and any other necessary documentation. If you hold Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s) representing Jefferson-Pilot shares, the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal must be accompanied by the stock certificate(s) representing the Jefferson-Pilot shares for which an election has been made. If Jefferson-Pilot shares are held for you in book-entry form by Jefferson-Pilot s Transfer Agent, such as in the Jefferson-Pilot Dividend Reinvestment Plan, only the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal need be returned. Until a record holder s Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s) or confirmation of a book-entry transfer of the holder s Jefferson-Pilot shares into the Exchange Agent s account is received by the Exchange Agent at one of the addresses set forth on the back of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, together with any other documents the Exchange Agent may require, and until the same are processed for exchange by the Exchange Agent, the holder will not receive his/her shares of Lincoln common stock and/or a check representing the cash consideration or cash in lieu of fractional shares (if any) in exchange for his/her Jefferson-Pilot shares. No interest will accrue on any cash consideration or any cash in lieu of fractional shares.

For Jefferson-Pilot shares held in street name by a broker, bank or other nominee, please contact the broker, bank or other nominee for instructions on what to do with those shares.

#### CHANGE OR REVOCATION OF ELECTION

Any holder of Jefferson-Pilot shares who has made an election by submitting a Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal to the Exchange Agent may, at any time prior to the Election Deadline, change that holder s election by submitting to the Exchange Agent a revised, later-dated Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, properly completed and signed, that is received by the Exchange Agent prior to the Election Deadline. Any holder of Jefferson-Pilot shares may, at any time prior to the Election Deadline, revoke an election and withdraw the certificate(s) for the holder s Jefferson-Pilot shares deposited with the Exchange Agent by written notice to the Exchange Agent received prior to the Election Deadline.

Any notice of revocation must specify the registered holder(s) listed in Box 1 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal and the number of shares to be withdrawn along with the corresponding certificate number(s). The notice of revocation must be signed by the registered

holder(s) listed in Box 1 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal and must include a signature guarantee medallion.

A Jefferson-Pilot shareholder who has made an election through a broker, bank or other nominee must follow the directions received from that broker, bank or other nominee to change the original election.

After the Election Deadline, a holder of Jefferson-Pilot shares may not change an election and may not withdraw his/her stock certificate(s) unless the Merger Agreement is terminated.

All Forms of Election and Letters of Transmittal will be void and of no effect if the merger is not completed for any reason and any Jefferson-Pilot stock certificates submitted therewith will be returned promptly after the Merger Agreement is terminated.

#### FORM OF ELECTION AND LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

#### ABOUT YOU AND YOUR SHARES

Shown above Box 1 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal are the registration number of your account and the number of shares of Jefferson-Pilot common stock you own as reflected on the records of Jefferson-Pilot on February 15, 2006. Your total number of shares held in certificated form is shown on the left and the number of shares held for you in book-entry form (*i.e.* noncertificated form), including any shares held in Jefferson-Pilot s Dividend Reinvestment Plan, is shown on the right above your name and address.

If your stock certificate(s) is/are lost, missing or destroyed, please immediately contact Wachovia Bank, N.A., Jefferson-Pilot s Transfer Agent, by telephone at 1-800-829-8432 or by email at equityservices@wachovia.com and provide your account name, address and daytime telephone number for instructions on how to replace your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s).

Strike any incorrect address information that is printed above Box 1 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. Clearly print the correct address in the space beside or below the printed information.

#### JEFFERSON-PILOT DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT PLAN PARTICIPANTS

Any reference to the term certificate means Jefferson-Pilot common shares held in certificate form. Shares held for you in

Jefferson-Pilot s Dividend Reinvestment Plan are held as book-entry; therefore, you will not have any certificates to surrender for these shares. However, you should still complete the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal as explained below. If you do not, your book-entry shares will be Non-Election Shares and you probably will receive the form of merger consideration that electing shareholders do not prefer.

# **REQUIRED SIGNATURES AND ELECTION OPTIONS (BOXES 1-5)**

The terms of the Merger Agreement allow you to choose, subject to certain limitations, the type of consideration you receive for each of your shares. For more information, please refer to the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

Regardless of the option you choose, your stock certificate(s), if any, must be returned with the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal for your election to be valid. You will not have stock certificates for any shares of Jefferson-Pilot common stock held for you in book-entry form, including shares in Jefferson-Pilot s Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

#### A) Required Signatures (Box 1)

All individuals listed on the account must sign the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. Please be sure to include your daytime telephone number.

By your signature, you: (1) acknowledge receipt of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus and agree that all elections, instructions and orders in the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal are subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement, the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus and these instructions; (2) represent and warrant that you are, as of the date hereof, and will be, as of the effective time of the merger, the record holder of the Jefferson-Pilot shares represented by the stock certificate(s) surrendered with the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, with good title to those common shares and full power and authority (i) to sell, assign and transfer those common shares free and clear of all liens, restrictions, charges and encumbrances and not subject to any adverse claims and (ii) to make the election indicated on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal; (3) agree that you will, upon request, execute any additional documents necessary or desirable to complete the surrender and exchange of the Jefferson-Pilot shares represented by the stock certificate(s) surrendered with the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal; (4) irrevocably appoint the Exchange Agent, as your agent, to effect the exchange pursuant to the Merger Agreement and these instructions; (5) authorize and instruct the Exchange Agent to deliver the certificate(s) covered by the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, and to receive on your behalf, in exchange for the Jefferson-Pilot shares represented by that certificate(s), any check and/or any Lincoln shares issuable to the signatory(ies) on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal; (6) authorize the Exchange Agent to follow any election and to rely upon all representations, certifications and instructions contained in the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal; and (7) agree that all authority conferred or agreed to be conferred in the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal is binding upon your successors, assigns, heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives and is not affected by, and survives, your death or incapacity.

If you are a trustee, executor, administrator or someone who is acting on behalf of a shareholder and your name is not printed on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, you must include your full title and send us proper evidence of your authority to exchange the shares.

# B) Substitute Form W-9 Certification (Box 2) or the Substitute W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number, as applicable

If you have a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) as of the date you make your election, you must sign and certify that the TIN printed on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal is correct, or provide your correct TIN in the space provided in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. If the shareholder is an individual, the TIN is the shareholder is Social Security Number (SSN). If you do not have a TIN as of the date you make the election you should not complete Box 2.

If you do not have a TIN as of the date you make the election but you have filed for a TIN or will file for a TIN in the near future, you must complete and sign the Substitute W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number provided in this instruction booklet rather than the Substitute W-9 in Box 2.

In each case, regardless of whether you have previously furnished a TIN or the certification on Form W-9 with respect to dividend payments, you must again furnish this number on the Substitute Form W-9 Certification provided in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal or in the Substitute W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet, as may be applicable.

Shareholders should refer to the Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9 in this instruction booklet for more detailed information on how to complete these Forms. In particular, if a stock certificate(s) is in more than one name or is not in the name of the actual owner, consult the instructions provided herein and the enclosed Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9 for additional guidance on which number to report. In all cases, you are urged to consult your tax advisor regarding your qualifications for exemption from backup withholding and the procedure for obtaining such exemption.

Failure to provide the correct information in a timely manner may subject the surrendering stockholder to penalties under the tax law and federal income tax withholding of 28% on payments made to you.

#### C) Election Options (Boxes 3-5)

Select from the following options:

**Box 3.** Exchange each of your Jefferson-Pilot shares for cash (all cash election). Check Box 3 on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal if you would like to make the all cash election for each of your Jefferson-Pilot shares being surrendered with this Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. You will receive \$55.96 for each Jefferson-Pilot share you surrender, subject to the

proration rules set forth in Section 2.1 of the Merger Agreement, to ensure that the aggregate portion of the cash consideration equals \$1.8 billion, after taking into account all of the elections made by the other Jefferson-Pilot shareholders. Therefore, you may receive some Lincoln common stock instead of cash.

- Box 4. Exchange each of your Jefferson-Pilot shares for shares of Lincoln common stock (<u>all stock</u> <u>election</u>). Check Box 4 on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal if you would like to make the all stock election for each of your Jefferson-Pilot shares being surrendered with this Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. You will receive 1.0906 shares of Lincoln common stock for each Jefferson-Pilot share, subject to the proration rules set forth in Section 2.1 of the Merger Agreement, to ensure that the aggregate portion of the cash consideration equals \$1.8 billion, after taking into account all of the elections made by the other Jefferson-Pilot shareholders. Therefore, you may receive some cash instead of Lincoln common stock. No fractional shares will be issued for certificated shares and you will receive a cash payment in lieu of fractional shares.
- Box 5. Exchange some of your Jefferson-Pilot shares for cash and some of your Jefferson-Pilot shares for stock. Check Box 5 if you wish to elect some of your Jefferson-Pilot shares being surrendered with the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal for cash and some of your Jefferson-Pilot shares for Lincoln common stock. Indicate the number of shares for which you are electing to receive cash in the space provided. You will receive \$55.96 for each Jefferson-Pilot share you elect for cash, subject to the proration rules set forth in Section 2.1 of the Merger Agreement. Any remaining shares will be elected for Lincoln common stock. You will receive 1.0906 shares of Lincoln common stock for each remaining Jefferson-Pilot share, subject to the proration rules set forth in Section 2.1 of the Merger Agreement. The proration rules ensure that the aggregate portion of the cash consideration equals \$1.8 billion, after taking into account all of the elections made by the other Jefferson-Pilot shareholders.

We cannot guarantee that you will receive the form of merger consideration that you elect. All elections are subject to the proration rules contained in Section 2.1 of the Merger Agreement. A description of the proration procedures is set forth in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus under the Section entitled The Merger Agreement Elections beginning on page 99. In connection with making any election, each Jefferson-Pilot shareholder should read carefully the information contained in the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

#### VALIDITY OF SURRENDER; IRREGULARITIES

Any disputes regarding your election or the elections made by other Jefferson-Pilot shareholders will be resolved by the Exchange Agent (in consultation with Lincoln) and its decision will be final for all parties concerned. The Exchange Agent has the right, subject to reasonable discretion, to reject any and all Forms of Election and Letters of Transmittal which it determines are not in proper form. Surrenders of stock certificate(s) will not be effective until all defects or irregularities that have not been waived by Lincoln have been corrected. Neither the Exchange Agent nor Lincoln is under any

obligation to provide notification of any defects in the deposit and surrender of any certificate(s) formerly representing Jefferson-Pilot shares, nor shall the Exchange Agent or Lincoln be liable for any failure to give any such notification. Please return your Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal promptly to allow sufficient time to correct any possible deficiencies before the Election Deadline.

#### LOST, MISSING OR DESTROYED CERTIFICATE(S)

If your stock certificate(s) is/are lost, missing or destroyed, you should immediately contact Wachovia Bank, N.A., Jefferson Pilot s Transfer Agent, by telephone at 1-800-829-8432 or by email at equityservices@wachovia.com and provide your account name, address and daytime telephone number. You will then be instructed as to the steps you must take in order to replace your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s). You will not be able to make an election on those shares until they have been replaced by Wachovia Bank, N.A.

If you have lost or misplaced any of your certificates and have contacted or intend to contact Jefferson Pilot s Transfer Agent,

Wachovia Bank, N.A., to obtain a replacement certificate(s), please complete the following steps:

Complete the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal.

Indicate on the reverse side of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, in the area marked **Restricted Area Do Not** 

**Print And/Or Write In This Blank,** that you intent to replace lost, missing or destroyed certificate(s) and record the amount of shares that will be replaced.

Return the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal along with any and all Jefferson-Pilot certificates in your possession to the Exchange Agent, Mellon Investor Services LLC. If the remaining shares are book-entry shares, return only the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal to the Exchange Agent, Mellon Investor Services LLC.

When you receive the replacement certificate(s), send the certificate(s) and a note indicating that these are replacement shares to the Exchange Agent, Mellon Investor Services LLC. We will include this certificate in your election if we receive it before the Election Deadline, otherwise the shares covered by this/these certificate(s) will be Non-Election shares.

UNLESS THERE ARE SPECIAL TRANSFER INSTRUCTIONS OR SPECIAL DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS, YOU NEED NOT CONTINUE TO THE NEXT SECTION. HOWEVER, BEFORE YOU MAIL YOUR FORM OF ELECTION AND LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL, MAKE SURE YOU DO THE FOLLOWING:

- a) Verify the election you have chosen.
- b) Sign and date the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal and include your daytime phone number.

- c) Sign the Substitute Form W-9 certification in Box 2 and verify the SSN or TIN printed on the form, or if you are awaiting a TIN, sign the Substitute Form W-9 included in this instruction booklet and return it with your other materials.
- d) Include your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s), if applicable, along with the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal in the enclosed envelope.
- e) If you are reporting lost, missing or destroyed certificates, please contact Wachovia Bank, N.A. as described above.

#### **SPECIAL TRANSFER INSTRUCTIONS (BOX 6)**

If you want your Lincoln common stock registered, or your check made payable, in a name or names different from the name(s) printed on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, please follow the instructions below. First, print the name(s) and address(es) of the person(s) receiving the shares in the space provided under Special Transfer Instructions in Box 6. Then, refer to the procedures printed below for the requirements needed to make some of the most frequently requested types of registration changes. These documents must accompany your Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal.

# If there is a name change due to marriage or a transfer of ownership to another individual:

- 1. Obtain a signature guarantee for the shareholder whose name is printed on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. If it is a joint account, both owners must sign and have their signatures guaranteed. Each signature must be guaranteed by an officer of a commercial bank, trust company, credit union or savings & loan who is a member of the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program (<u>STAM</u>P), or by a stockbroker who is a member of STAMP. The signature of a Notary Public is not acceptable for this purpose.
- 2. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal by listing the TIN that is to be used for tax reporting on the new account. The individual whose TIN is being used must sign the Substitute Form W-9. If you are awaiting a TIN, complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Form included in Box 2 and return it with your other election materials. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9* for more detailed information.

# If the shareholder whose name is printed on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal is deceased and vou are the executor or administrator of the estate:

- 1. Provide a certified (under raised seal) copy of the Court Qualification appointing the legal representative (dated within the previous 60 days).
- 2. Obtain the signature of the legal representative. The signature must be guaranteed by an officer of a commercial bank, trust company, credit union or savings & loan who is a

- member of STAMP, or by a stockbroker who is a member of STAMP. The signature of a Notary Public is not acceptable for this purpose.
- 3. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal by listing the TIN that is to be used for tax reporting on the new account. The individual whose TIN is being used must sign the Substitute Form W-9. If you are awaiting a TIN, complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Form included in Box 2 and return it with your other election materials. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9* for more detailed information.

# If the account is a joint account and one of the account holders is deceased and the check and/or shares are to be transferred to the survivor only:

- 1. Provide a certified (under raised seal) copy of the death certificate.
- 2. Provide the survivor s signature. (Signature guarantee is not necessary in this case.)
- 3. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal by listing the TIN that is to be used for tax reporting on the new account. The individual whose TIN is being used must sign the Substitute Form W-9. If you are awaiting a TIN, complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Form included in Box 2 and return it with your other election materials. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9* for more detailed information.

# If the account is a joint account and one of the account holders is deceased and the check and/or shares are to be transferred to the survivor and an additional person:

- 1. Provide a certified (under raised seal) copy of the death certificate.
- 2. The survivor must sign and obtain a signature guarantee. The signature must be guaranteed by an officer of a commercial bank, trust company, credit union or savings & loan who is a member of STAMP, or by a stockbroker who is a member of STAMP. The signature of a Notary Public is not acceptable for this purpose.
- 3. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal by listing the TIN that is to be used for tax reporting on the new account. The individual whose TIN is being used must sign the Substitute Form W-9. If you are awaiting a TIN, complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Form included in Box 2 and return it with your other election materials. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9* for more detailed information.

#### If the account is a custodial account and the former minor has reached the legal age of majority:

- 1. The former minor must sign and obtain a signature guarantee. The signature must be guaranteed by an officer of a commercial bank, trust company, credit union or savings & loan who is a member of STAMP, or by a stockbroker who is a member of STAMP. The signature of a Notary Public is not acceptable for this purpose.
- 2. Provide a certified (under raised seal) copy of the birth certificate of the former minor.
- 3. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal by listing the TIN that is to be used for tax reporting on the new account. The former minor whose TIN is being used must sign the Substitute Form W-9. If you are awaiting a TIN, complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Form included in Box 2 and return it with your other election materials. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9* for more detailed information.

### If the request is being made by a minor who has now reached the age of majority:

- 1. The former minor must sign and obtain a signature guarantee. The signature must be guaranteed by an officer of a commercial bank, trust company, credit union or savings & loan who is a member of STAMP, or by a stockbroker who is a member of STAMP. The signature of a Notary Public is not acceptable for this purpose.
- 2. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal by listing the TIN that is to be used for tax reporting on the new account. The former minor must sign the Substitute Form W-9. If you are awaiting a TIN, complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Form included in Box 2 and return it with your other election materials. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9* for more detailed information.

# If you want to have the account registered in the name of a trust:

- 1. Obtain a signature guarantee for the shareholder whose name is printed on the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. If it is a joint account, both owners must sign and have their signatures guaranteed. Each signature must be guaranteed by an officer of a commercial bank, trust company, credit union or savings & loan who is a member of STAMP, or by a stockbroker who is a member of STAMP. The signature of a Notary Public is not acceptable for this purpose.
- 2. Provide a copy of the first and last pages of the trust agreement.
- 3. Complete the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal by listing the TIN that is to be used for tax reporting on the new account. The trust whose TIN is being used must sign the Substitute Form W-9. If you are

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awaiting a TIN, complete and sign the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Form included in Box 2 and return it with your other election materials. Please refer to the *Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9* for more detailed information.

**If your circumstances differ from those listed above**, or if you have any other questions, please contact Mellon Investor Services LLC toll free at (866) 293-5636 or collect at (201) 680-6579.

#### **SPECIAL DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS (BOX 7)**

If you want your Lincoln common stock, your check for fractional shares, and/or your check for cash to be delivered to someone other than the registered holder, or to the registered holder at a different address than the one shown on the front of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal, please complete this box.

Note: Your shareholder address of record will not be affected by completing this Box 7. If you want to change your address of record, write the new address in Box 1 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal.

#### NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY

If you cannot deliver your Jefferson-Pilot stock certificate(s) and all other required documents to the Exchange Agent or cannot complete the procedure for delivery of Jefferson-Pilot shares by book-entry transfer into the Exchange Agent s account prior to the Election Deadline, you may deliver your Jefferson-Pilot shares by properly completing and duly executing a Notice of Guaranteed Delivery if: (1) the Guarantee of Delivery is made by or through a member of a registered national securities exchange, a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. or by a commercial bank or trust company in the United States; (2) prior to the Election Deadline, the Exchange Agent receives a properly completed and duly executed Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, as provided herein, together with a properly completed and duly executed Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal and any other documents required by the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal; and (3) the certificates for all the Jefferson-Pilot shares covered by the Notice of Guaranteed Delivery, in proper form for transfer (or confirmation of a book-entry transfer of such Jefferson-Pilot shares into the Exchange Agent s account), are received by the Exchange Agent within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the Election Deadline. If the above requirements are not satisfied in a timely manner, you will be deemed to have made no election and your shares will be deemed Non-Election Shares (as defined in the Merger Agreement). Please read the enclosed *Notice of Guaranteed Delivery* for more information. If your circumstances differ from those listed above, or if you have any other questions, please contact Mellon Investor Services LLC toll free at (866) 293-5636 or collect at (201) 680-6579.

#### **DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS**

**Mellon Investor Services LLC** 

For information:

In the Unites States, Canada and Puerto Rico (Toll Free):

(866) 293-5636

#### Outside of the Unites States, Canada and Puerto Rico (Collect):

(201) 680-6579

#### By Regular Mail

Mellon Investor Services LLC

Attn: Reorganization Department

P.O. Box 3301

South Hackensack, NJ 07606

## By Registered Insured Mail or Overnight Courier:

Mellon Investor Services LLC

Attn: Reorganization Department

480 Washington Boulevard

Mail Drop-Reorg

Jersey City, NJ 07310

#### **By Hand:**

Mellon Investor Services LLC

Attn: Reorganization Department

120 Broadway

13th Floor

New York, NY 10271

#### For Notice of Guaranteed Delivery:

(Eligible Institutions Only)

Facsimile: (201) 680-4626

#### **Confirmation of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery:**

(Eligible Institutions Only)

Telephone: (201) 680-4680

The method of delivery of all documents is at the option and risk of the holder of Jefferson-Pilot shares. If delivery is by mail,

the use of registered mail, with return receipt requested, properly insured, is strongly recommended.

# GUIDELINES FOR CERTIFICATION OF TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9

Guidelines for Determining the Proper Identification Number to Give the Exchange Agent Social Security Numbers have nine digits separated by two hyphens: i.e., 000-00-0000. Employer Identification Numbers have nine digits separated by only one hyphen: i.e., 00-0000000. The table below will help determine the number to give the Exchange Agent.

<b>Give the SOCIAL SECURITY</b>			<b>Give the EMPLOYER</b>	
For this type of		I	For this type of	
account:	number of		account:	IDENTIFICATION number of
An individual s account	The individual	8.	Sole proprietorship or single- member limited liability company (_LLC ) that is disregarded as separate from its member	The owner(4)
Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account(1)	9.	A valid trust, estate or pension trust	The legal entity(5)
3. Husband and wife (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if joint funds, the first individual on the account(1)	10.	Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on IRS Form 8832	The corporation or LLC
4. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor(2)	11.	Religious, charitable, or educational organization	The organization
5. Adult and minor (joint account)	The adult or, if the minor is the only contributor, the minor(1)	12.	Partnership or multiple member LLC	The partnership or LLC
6. Account in the name of guardian or committee for a designated ward, minor, or incompetent person	The ward, minor, or incompetent person(3)	13.	Association, club, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
7. a.	The grantor-trustee(1)	14.		The broker or nominee

The usual revocable savings trust account (grantor is also trustee)

A broker or registered nominee

b. So-called trust The actual owner(1)

account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law 15. Account with the The public entity

Department of
Agriculture in the
name of a public
entity (such as a
state or local
government,
school district, or
prison) that
receives
agricultural
program
payments

- (1) List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has a social security number, that person s number must be furnished.
- (2) Circle the minor s name and furnish the minor s social security number.
- (3) Circle the ward s, minor s or incompetent person s name and furnish such person s social security number.
- (4) You must show your individual name, but you may also enter your business or doing business as name. You may use either your social security number or employer identification number (if you have one).
- (5) List first and circle the name of the legal entity, either a trust, estate, or pension trust. Do not furnish the taxpayer identification number of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.

**NOTE:** If no name is circled when there is more than one name, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

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# GUIDELINES FOR CERTIFICATION OF TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 (BOX 2) OR THE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 FOR TAXPAYERS AWAITING A TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

#### **Obtaining a Number**

If you do not have a Taxpayer Identification Number (\_TIN\_) or if you do not know your number, obtain Form SS-5, Application for Social Security Card, Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, at the local office of the Social Security Administration or the Internal Revenue Service (the \_IRS\_) and apply for a number. If you do not have a TIN, you must complete the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number included in this instruction booklet instead of the Substitute Form W-9 in Box 2 of the Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. On the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number, write the words Applied For in Part 1, sign and date the Substitute Form W-9 for Taxpayers Awaiting a Taxpayer Identification Number, sign the Certificate of Awaiting Taxpayer Identification Number, and return the form to the Exchange Agent along with your Form of Election and Letter of Transmittal. If you do not timely provide a taxpayer identification number to the Exchange Agent, a portion of all reportable payments made to you will be withheld.

Section references in these guidelines refer to sections under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Payees specifically exempted from backup withholding include:

An organization exempt from tax under Section 501(a), an individual retirement account ( $\underline{IRA}$ ), or a custodial account under Section 403(b)(7), if the account satisfies the requirements of Section 401(f)(2).

The United States, a state thereof, the District of Columbia or a possession of the United States, or a political subdivision or agency or instrumentality of any the foregoing.

An international organization or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

A foreign government or any political subdivision, agency or instrumentality thereof. Payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:

A corporation.

A financial institution.

A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Colombia, or a possession of the United States.

A real estate investment trust.

A common trust fund operated by a bank under Section 584(a).

An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian.

A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

A foreign central bank of issue.

A trust exempt from tax under Section 664 or a non-exempt trust described in a Section 4947.

Payments of dividends and patronage dividends not generally subject to backup withholding include the following:

Payments to nonresident aliens subject to withholding under Section 1441.

Payments to partnerships not engaged in a trade or business in the U.S. and which have at least one nonresident alien partner.

Payments of patronage dividends where the amount received is not paid in money.

Payments made by certain foreign organizations.

Section 404(k) payments made by an ESOP.

Payments of interest not generally subject to backup withholding include the following:

Payments of interest on obligations issued by individuals. Note: You may be subject to backup withholding if this interest is \$600 or more and is paid in the course of the payer s trade or business and you have not provided your correct taxpayer identification number to the payer.

Payments of tax-exempt interest (including exempt-interest dividends under Section 852).

Payments described in Section 6049(b)(5) to nonresident aliens.

Payments on tax-free covenant bonds under Section 1451.

Payments made by certain foreign organizations.

Mortgage or student loan interest paid to you.

Exempt payees described above should file the applicable Substitute Form W-9 to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding. FILE THE FORM OF ELECTION AND LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL WITH THE PAYER, FURNISH YOUR TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON THE APPLICABLE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9, FOR PAYEES COMPLETING THE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 PROVIDED IN BOX 2, WRITE THE WORD EXEMPT ACROSS THE FACE OF BOX 2 AND FOR PAYEES COMPLETING THE ENCLOSED SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 FOR TAXPAYERS AWAITING A TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER WRITE THE WORD EXEMPT IN PART 2 OF THE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9, SIGN AND DATE THE FORM AND RETURN IT (AND IF APPLICABLE THE SUBSTITUTE FORM W-9 FOR TAXPAYERS AWAITING A TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER) TO THE PAYER. If you are a foreign person, you must submit an appropriate IRS Form W-8BEN signed under penalty of perjury attesting to foreign status.

Certain payments other than interest, dividends, and patronage dividends, which are not subject to information reporting are also not subject to backup withholding. For details, see the regulations under Sections 6041, 6041A, 6045, 6050A and 6050N.

**Privacy Act Notice.** Section 6109 requires most recipients of dividend, interest, or certain other income to give taxpayer identification numbers to payers who must report the payments to the IRS. The IRS uses the numbers for identification purposes and to help verify the accuracy of tax returns. The IRS may also provide this information to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states and the District of Columbia to carry out their tax laws. The IRS may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, or to Federal and state agencies to enforce Federal non-tax criminal laws and to combat terrorism. Payers must be given the numbers whether or not recipients are required to file tax returns. Payers must generally withhold a portion of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not furnish a taxpayer identification number to a payer. Certain penalties may also apply.

#### **Penalties**

- (1) **Penalty for Failure to Furnish Taxpayer Identification Number.** If you fail to furnish your correct taxpayer identification number to a payer, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.
- (2) Civil Penalty for False Information With Respect to Withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis which results in no imposition of backup withholding, you are subject to a penalty of \$500.
- (3) Criminal Penalty for Falsifying Information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.
- **(4) Misuse of Taxpayer Identification Numbers.** If the requester discloses or uses taxpayer identification numbers in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT YOUR TAX CONSULTANT OR THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

SUBSTITUTE
Form W-9
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Payer s Request for Taxpayer Identification Number ( TIN ) and Certification

Name (please print)

Street Address

City, State and Zip Code

**PART 1** Taxpayer Identification Number ENTER YOUR TIN IN THE BOX AT RIGHT. (For most individuals, this is your social security number. If you do not have a TIN, see Obtaining a Number in the enclosed Guidelines).

Social Security Number

CERTIFY BY SIGNING AND DATING BELOW.

OR

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name.

see the chart in the enclosed Guidelines to determine which number to give the payer.

Employer Identification Number (if awaiting TIN, write Applied For )

PART 2 Payees Exempt from Backup Withholding See the enclosed Guidelines and complete as instructed therein.

**PART 3** Certification Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- (1) The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- (2) I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the  $\rm I$