

**Plan Service Provider Fee Disclosure Rules Released—Effective July 16, 2011**

The Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) division of the Department of Labor (DOL) released its highly anticipated interim final regulations under ERISA Sec. 402(b)(2), requiring certain service providers to employee pension benefit plans to disclose information to assist plan fiduciaries in assessing the reasonableness of contracts or arrangements, including the reasonableness of the service providers' compensation and potential conflicts of interest that may affect the service providers' performance. The interim final rule is effective on July 16, 2011, but the EBSA is accepting comments on the guidance during a 45-day comment period.

Readers may access the final fee disclosure regulations through the following link.

[http://www.ofr.gov/OFRUpload/OFRData/2010-16768\\_PL.pdf](http://www.ofr.gov/OFRUpload/OFRData/2010-16768_PL.pdf)