ANDERSON CENTER
MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

EMERGING COMPANIES FORUM APPLICATION

Please answer all the questions under Section One and Two, and answer as many questions as possible under Section Three. The questions are designed to help us create a better experience for you and your company, as part of the Emerging Companies Forum. The first two sections must be fully completed and signed prior to review by the Anderson Center. Please print or type legibly. This form can then be faxed, mailed or scanned and emailed to the contact information at the end of the application.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Section One)

Name: _____
Last First M.I. Prefix (Mr., Ms.) Suffix (Jr., III)

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Personal email: _____

Organization Name: _____ Title/Position: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Website: _____ Work email: _____

Preferred method of contact: __ cell phone __ work phone __ work email __ personal email

GENERAL BUSINESS INFORMATION (Section Two)

Please attach answers to the following questions to this application:

1. An overview of your business
2. A summary of your goals as they pertain to the Emerging Companies Forum
3. The current ownership structure
4. Name and contact information of lawyer, accountant, banker/s and any other advisors
5. Historical financial information (income statement, balance sheet, and cash flow for the last two full years and most recent year-to-date)

STRATEGIC BUSINESS QUESTIONS (Section Three)

The questions below are designed to help us develop a better advisory board and create a better experience for you and your company, as part of the Emerging Companies Forum. There are no correct or incorrect answers. And, even if a question can't be answered, please note that it can not be answered – instead of making up an answer. Missing or incomplete answers can help guide the Advisory Board in its work with your company. Please use a separate piece of paper and attach it to this application.

1. Do you have any long term goals (3-5 years) for yourself and/or the business? If yes, please list the goals and elaborate where necessary.

2. What key changes are you trying to make to the business (i.e. programs/special activities/initiatives) in the next 12 to 24 months to help meet those goals?

3. What are the key resources that the company possesses (patents, distribution rights, skilled workforce, etc)?

4. What are the key capabilities of the company (things the company does well – introduce new products to the market, order turnaround time, etc)?

5. What are the critical internal weaknesses of the company?

6. What are the critical external challenges/issues facing the company?

7. What are the specific areas of the business for which you think the company needs help?

8. What measures are you currently use to gauge/evaluate how well the company is performing?

9. Are there any additional measures you wish you had in place to help evaluate how well the company is performing? If yes, please describe.

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If accepted into the Emerging Companies Forum, The Anderson Center, Inc. (ACI) will help develop a Board of Advisors for the Company. The Company expressly waives any responsibility of ACI and the Advisory Board participants in acting upon this advice, including but not limited to any adverse effect the advice may have on Company's outcome of applying such advice. It is Company's sole responsibility to decide whether or not the advice given by ACI will work for Company's particular business practices, policies and programs.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ACCURACY AND UNDERSTANDING

I certify that all the information and accompanying material provided in connection with this application are authentic and accurate. And, I agree to hold ACI and Advisory Board participants harmless from any adverse effect of implementing advice from Board of Advisors. I understand that any application of any advice, express or implied, received from ACI is the sole action and responsibility of Company.

Signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM, SIGNED AND COMPLETED TO:

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