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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning AUG 1, 2008 and ending JUL 31, 2009

Form sections B through M: B Check if applicable, C Name of organization (DSW INC. BENEFIT PLAN), D Employer identification number (26-6204005), E Telephone number (614-872-1470), G Gross receipts (\$12,008,274), H(a) Is this a group return, H(b) Are all affiliates included?, I Tax-exempt status, J Website, K Type of organization, L Year of formation, M State of legal domicile.

Part I Summary

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Amount. Rows include: 1 Mission statement, 2-7 Governance, 8-12 Revenue, 13-19 Expenses, 20-22 Net Assets or Fund Balances.

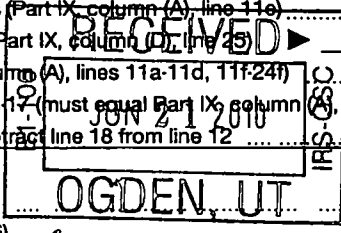
Part II Signature Block

Signature block section with fields for Sign Here, Signature of officer (Hurt Gatterdam, VP Treasurer), Date (6/15/10), and Type or print name and title.

Preparer's information section including Preparer's signature, Date (6/14/10), Check if self-employed, Preparer's identifying number, Firm's name (Schneider Downs & Co., Inc.), EIN, and Phone number ((412) 261-3644).

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

SCANNED JUL 30 2010



Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see instructions)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE ORGANIZATION IS A VOLUNTARY EMPLOYEES' BENEFIT ASSOCIATION (VEBA).

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

Yes No

If "Yes", describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

Yes No

If "Yes", describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
PROVISION OF BENEFITS TO DSW, INC. EMPLOYEES AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

4b (Code.) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses \$ (Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B))

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		X
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?		X
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>	N/A	
5 Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>	N/A	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		X
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		X
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i>		X
12 Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII</i>	X	
13 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U.S.?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U.S.? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II</i>		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III</i>		X
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		X
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		X
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		X
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25</i>		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	N/A	
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	N/A	
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
28 During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee:		
a Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	X	
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	N/A	
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X

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Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return (see instructions)		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country. See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
c	If "Yes," to question 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		
6a	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of more than \$75?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		X
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		X
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		X
8	Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? N/A		
9	Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? N/A		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? N/A		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter N/A		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter N/A		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year N/A		

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code)

Section A. Governing Body and Management

For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		0
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		0
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		X
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?		X
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		X
9a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
10	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990	X	
11	Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	X	

Section B. Policies

		Yes	No
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13		X
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?		
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done		
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?		X
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		X
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision.		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?		X
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization? Describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		X
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed: **NONE**
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: **KURT GATTERDAM - 614-238-7100**
810 DSW DRIVE, COLUMBUS, OH 43219

Part VIII		Statement of Revenue		(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
				Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1 a	Federated campaigns	1a					
	b	Membership dues	1b					
	c	Fundraising events	1c					
	d	Related organizations	1d					
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f					
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$						
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f						
Program Service Revenue	2 a	EMPLOYER PREMIUMS	Business Code 900099	7670600.	7670600.			
	b	EMPLOYEE PREMIUMS	900099	4272853.	4272853.			
	c							
	d							
	e							
	f	All other program service revenue						
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f			11,943,453.			
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		3,734.			3,734.	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5	Royalties						
	6 a	Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		b	Less: rental expenses					
		c	Rental income or (loss)					
		d	Net rental income or (loss)					
	7 a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses					
		c	Gain or (loss)					
		d	Net gain or (loss)		<484.>			<484.>
	8 a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18		a				
		b	Less: direct expenses					
		c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9 a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19		a				
b		Less: direct expenses						
c		Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10 a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		a					
	b	Less: cost of goods sold						
	c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code						
11 a								
b								
c								
d	All other revenue							
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d							
12	Total Revenue Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e			11,946,703.	11,943,453.	0.	3,250.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members	10,705,758.			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	625.			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages				
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits				
10 Payroll taxes				
11 Fees for services (non-employees).				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	11,500.			
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other	65,000.			
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses				
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy				
17 Travel				
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a ADMINISTRATION FEES	1,178,606.			
b PREMIUMS	391,151.			
c MISCELLANEOUS	9,907.			
d				
e				
f All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	12,362,547.			
26 Joint Costs. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year	
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing		1 308,835.	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2 432,864.	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4 415,570.	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, or other related parties Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost basis	10a		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10b		10c
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments - program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		0 . 16	1,157,269.	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17 28,083.	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D		25	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		0 . 26	28,083.
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds	0 . 30	0 .	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund	0 . 31	0 .	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	0 . 32	1,129,186.	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	0 . 33	1,129,186.	
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	0 . 34	1,157,269.	

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
- c** If "Yes" to lines 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?
- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c		X
3a		X
3b		

Schedule D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

OMB No 1545-0047

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization **DSW INC. BENEFIT PLAN** Employer identification number **26-6204005**

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor or other impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or pleasure) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a-2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06	

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No

6 Staff or volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply).

- a Public exhibition
- b Scholarly research
- c Preservation for future generations
- d Loan or exchange programs
- e Other _____

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:

- c Beginning balance
- d Additions during the year
- e Distributions during the year
- f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment _____ %
- b Permanent endowment _____ %
- c Term endowment _____ %

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i) unrelated organizations
- (ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Investments - Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment				
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a-1e. (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶ 0.

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements		
1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	11,946,703.
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	12,362,547.
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<415,844.>
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	543.
5	Donated services and use of facilities	
6	Investment expenses	
7	Prior period adjustments	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	1,544,487.
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4-8	1,545,030.
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements. Combine lines 3 and 9	1,129,186.

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return		
1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	11,947,246.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:	
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	543.
b	Donated services and use of facilities	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	543.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	11,946,703.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:	
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	0.
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	11,946,703.

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return		
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	12,362,547.
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:	
a	Donated services and use of facilities	
b	Prior year adjustments	
c	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	0.
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	12,362,547.
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:	
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	0.
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	12,362,547.

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X; Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b.

PART XI RECONCILIATION OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FROM FORM 990 TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

TRANSFER FROM RETAIL VENTURES, INC. WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN: \$1,544,487

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990

▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations to provide additional information for responses to specific questions for the Form 990 or to provide any additional information.

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2008

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Inspection

Name of the organization

DSW INC. BENEFIT PLAN

Employer identification number

26-6204005

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 8A: THE ORGANIZATION IS A VOLUNTARY EMPLOYEES' BENEFIT ASSOCIATION (VEBA). AS A TRUST, THE VEBA DOES NOT HAVE A DEFINED GOVERNING BODY COMPOSED OF A BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BUT INSTEAD IS GOVERNED BY A TRUST AGREEMENT. A COMMERCIAL BANKING INSTITUTION IS APPOINTED AS TRUSTEE BY THE SPONSORING ORGANIZATION IN THE TRUST AGREEMENT. THE SPONSORING INSTITUTION SHALL AT ALL TIMES ENSURE THAT NAMED FIDUCIARIES ARE APPOINTED FOR THE PLAN, WHO SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTROL OF THE VEBA ESTABLISHED IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRUST FUND. SUCH NAMED FIDUCIARIES SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PLAN. TO ACCOMPLISH ADMINISTRATION AND PAYMENT OF BENEFITS UNDER THE PLAN, THE PRIMARY SPONSOR OF THE PLAN ENGAGED A BENEFITS ADMINISTRATOR TO SERVE AS THE AGENT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND PAYMENT OF BENEFITS UNDER THE PLAN. THE BENEFITS ADMINISTRATOR MAY BE CHANGED FROM TIME TO TIME AND THE PLAN SPONSOR SHALL PROVIDE THE TRUSTEE WITH WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF ANY CHANGE. THE TRUSTEE SHALL MAKE DISTRIBUTION FROM THE TRUST FUND IN THE MANNER PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TERMS OF THE TRUST AGREEMENT AND IN SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE DIRECTED IN WRITING BY THE PLAN SPONSOR OR BENEFITS ADMINISTRATOR. BOARD MEETINGS ARE NOT HELD AND SUBSEQUENTLY THERE ARE NO BOARD MINUTES DOCUMENTED.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 8B: SEE EXPLANATION FOR LINE 8A ABOVE. THERE ARE NO COMMITTEES WITH AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE TRUST AND ITS NAMED FIDUCIARIES.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 10: THE FORM 990 WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S PRINCIPAL OFFICER AND FIDUCIARY. A COPY OF THE FORM 990

LHA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

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Department of the Treasury
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IS PROVIDED TO THE INSTITUTIONAL TRUSTEE BEFORE FILING WITH THE SERVICE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19: THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING DOCUMENT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART VII CONTACT ADDRESSES FOR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, ETC:

PNC BANK - 155 EAST BROAD STREET

COLUMBUS, OH 43215

FORM 990, PART XI, FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTING

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT

THE VEBA DOES NOT HAVE A COMMITTEE THAT ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY OR

OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SELECTION OF AN

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT. HOWEVER, THE DIRECTOR OF COMPENSATION AND

BENEFITS OF THE PLAN'S SPONSORING ORGANIZATION DOES ASSUME

RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ **Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 33, 34, 35, 36,**
▶ **See separate instructions.**

Name of the organization

DSW INC. BENEFIT PLAN

Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities

(A) Name, address, and EIN of disregarded entity	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations

(A) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Exempt Code section	(E) Public status (if 501(c)
RETAIL VENTURES INC. VEBA - 20-1644899 810 DSW DRIVE COLUMBUS, OH 43219	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN	OHIO	501(C)(9)	N/A

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Part V Transactions With Related Organizations

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV.

- 1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?
- a** Receipt of **(i)** interest **(ii)** annuities **(iii)** royalties **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity
 - b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)
 - c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)
 - d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)
 - e** Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)

 - f** Sale of assets to other organization(s)
 - g** Purchase of assets from other organization(s)
 - h** Exchange of assets
 - i** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)

 - j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)
 - k** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)
 - l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)
 - m** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets
 - n** Sharing of paid employees

 - o** Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses
 - p** Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses

 - q** Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)
 - r** Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transa

(A) Name of other organization(s)	
(1) RETAIL VENTURES INC. VEBA	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box
 - If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form).
- Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Electronic Filing (e-file). Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

Type or print	Name of Exempt Organization DSW INC. BENEFIT PLAN	Employer identification number 26-6204005
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 810 DSW DRIVE	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. COLUMBUS, OH 43219	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return):

- | | | |
|--|---|------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870 |

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- The books are in the care of ▶ **810 DSW DRIVE - COLUMBUS, OH 43219**
 Telephone No. ▶ **614-872-1300** FAX No. ▶ _____
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover.

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6-months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until **MARCH 15, 2010**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
 ▶ calendar year _____ or
 ▶ tax year beginning **AUG 1, 2008**, and ending **JUL 31, 2009**.

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$	
b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$	
c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$	N/A

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

• If you are filing for an Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension, complete only Part II and check this box

Note. Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

• If you are filing for an Automatic 3-Month Extension, complete only Part I (on page 1).

Part II			Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. Only file the original (no copies needed).		
Type or print File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization		Employer identification number		
	DSW INC. BENEFIT PLAN		26-6204005		
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions.		For IRS use only		
810 DSW DRIVE					
City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions.					
COLUMBUS, OH 43219					

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return):

- Form 990
- Form 990-EZ
- Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)
- Form 1041-A
- Form 5227
- Form 8870
- Form 990-BL
- Form 990-PF
- Form 990-T (trust other than above)
- Form 4720
- Form 6069

STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

STEVE PRUE

• The books are in the care of **810 DSW DRIVE - COLUMBUS, OH 43219**
 Telephone No. **614-872-1300** FAX No. _____

• If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box

• If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until **JUNE 15, 2010**.

5 For calendar year _____, or other tax year beginning **AUG 1, 2008**, and ending **JUL 31, 2009**.

6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

7 State in detail why you need the extension
ADDITIONAL TIME IS NEEDED TO GATHER THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO FILE A COMPLETE AND ACCURATE RETURN

8a	If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	8a	\$	
b	If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868.	8b	\$	
c	Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c	\$	N/A

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature **Steve Prue** Title **CPA** Date **3-8-2010**