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13-3795391

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Person to Contact - ID Number:  
Richard K. Dolfi - 02-03032

Contact Telephone Number:  
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Form 990 Required:  
Yes

Dear Sir or Madam:

On June 27, 2006 you notified the Internal Revenue Service of your intent to terminate your foundation status as a private foundation under section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and become a public charity. In our letter of January 19, 2007, we stated that you would be treated as a public charity until the expiration of your 60-month advance ruling period.

Based on the information you submitted at the end of the advance ruling period, we determined that you have terminated your private foundation status under the provisions of section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Code. Accordingly, as of July 1, 2006 you have been reclassified as a public charity described in section(s) 509(a)(1) of the Code. Since your exempt status wasn't under consideration, you continue to be classified an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

The enclosed Publication 4221-PC, *Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities*, provides detailed information about your responsibilities as a public charity. Other useful information including the Life Cycle of a Public Charity is available on the IRS Charities and Non-profits website at [www.irs.gov/eo](http://www.irs.gov/eo).

Because this letter could help resolve questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,



Lois G. Lerner  
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure:  
Publication 4221-PC

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
P. O. BOX 2508  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: JAN 25 2007

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106234022

Contact Person:

VERONICA PERRY

ID# 52119

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60 Month Period Ends:

June 30, 2011

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

We have received your notification of intent to terminate your private foundation status under section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code during a 60 month period beginning July 1, 2006.

Within 90 days after the end of your 60 month period, you must establish to the satisfaction of the Internal Revenue Service that you have qualified as an organization which meets the requirements of paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of section 509(a) of the Code for the 60 month period. If you do establish that fact, you will be so classified for all purposes beginning with the first day of the first taxable year of the 60 month period and, thereafter, so long as you continue to meet the requirements of section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3). If, however, you do not meet these requirements for the 60 month period, you will be classified as a private foundation as of the first day of the first taxable year of the 60 month period.

If you satisfy the requirements of section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Code at the end of your 60 month period, you will not be subject to the provisions of section 507(a), (c), or (g) of the Code.

Grantors and donors may rely on the determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you submit the required information within the 90 days, grantors and contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until the Service makes a final determination of your foundation status.

You are required to file Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as a Private Foundation, until you complete your 60 month termination and are classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization. Form 990-PF must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$20 a day, up to a maximum of \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts (whichever is less), for failure to file a return on time unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is

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reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

If you do not pay the tax imposed by section 4940 of the Code for any taxable year or years during the 60 month period, and it is subsequently determined that such tax is due for such year or years, you will be liable for interest in accordance with section 6601 of the Code. Since any failure to pay such taxes during the 60 month period is due to reasonable cause, the penalty under section 6651 with respect to the tax imposed by section 4940 shall not apply.

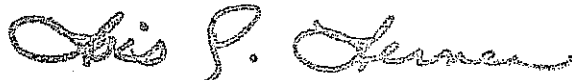
If the heading of this letter indicate that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,



Lois G. Lerner  
Director, Exempt Organizations  
Rulings and Agreements

Enclosure(s):  
Form 872

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT DIRECTOR  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: MAY 13 1995

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115063009  
Contact Person:  
JACQUELINE C TURPIN  
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Accounting Period Ending:  
June 30  
Addendum Applies:  
Yes

Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3). We also determined that you are a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code.

Based on the information you submitted with your application, we have determined that you are likely to qualify as a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(2) of the Code. Accordingly, you are treated as a private operating foundation for your first year. After that, you will be treated as a private operating foundation as long as you continue to meet the requirements of section 4942(j)(2).

This ruling satisfies the good faith determination requirement of section 53.4942(b)-3(b)(2) of the Excise Tax Regulations.

If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know any changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1934, you are liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA). However, since you are a private foundation, you are subject to excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. You also may be subject to other Federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other Federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions only to the extent their contributions are

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gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. See Publication 1391, which sets forth guidelines on when payments made by taxpayers for admission to, or other participation in fundraising activities for charity are deductible as charitable contributions.

You are required to file Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as a Private Foundation. Form 990-PF must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$10 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$5,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If you did not enter an employer identification number on your application, we will assign a number to you and let you know. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

In accordance with section 508(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, the effective date of this determination letter is November 4, 1994.

This determination is based on evidence that your funds are dedicated to the purposes listed in section 501(c)(3) of the Code. To assure your continued exemption, you should keep records to show that funds are spent only for those purposes. If you distribute funds to other organizations, your records should show whether they are exempt under section 501(c)(3). In cases where the recipient organization is not exempt under section 501(c)(3), you must have evidence that the funds will remain dedicated to the required purposes and that the recipient will use the funds for those purposes.

If you distribute funds to individuals, you should keep case histories showing the recipients' names, addresses, purposes of awards, manner of selection, and relationship (if any) to members, officers, trustees or donors of funds to you, so that you can substantiate upon request by the Internal Revenue Service any and all distributions you made to individuals. (Revenue Ruling 56-304, C.B. 1956-2, page 306.)

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We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,



Herbert J. Huff  
District Director

Enclosure:  
Addendum

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Since you have not indicated that you intend to finance your activities with the proceeds of tax exempt bond financing, in this letter we have not determined the effect of such financing on your tax exempt status.