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Date1 =

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Date4 =

Year1 =

Dear :

This is in response to the letter dated , submitted on your behalf by your authorized representative. In the letter you request an extension of time to file duplicate copies of Forms 3115, Application for Change in Accounting Method, with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) national office. The request is made in accordance with §§ 301.9100-1 and 301.9100-3 of the Procedure and Administration Regulations.

On Date1, Taxpayer engaged Advisor to prepare its Year1 federal and state income tax returns. On Date2, Taxpayer timely filed a consolidated federal income tax return for the taxable year ended Date4. The taxpayer also timely filed with its consolidated federal tax return two original Forms 3115, filed under Rev. Proc. 2008-52, 2008-2 C.B. 587, to change the method of accounting for professional service fees and advance payments for Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary, for the taxable year of change beginning on Date3 and ending Date4. However, due to an oversight by Taxpayer's controller, Taxpayer inadvertently failed to timely file duplicates of the Forms 3115 with the IRS national office, as required by section 6.02(3)(a) of Rev. Proc. 2008-52. Upon

discovery of the oversight, Advisor instructed Taxpayer to file a request for an extension of time to file duplicate copies of the Forms 3115 with the IRS national office.

Rev. Proc. 2008-52 provides the procedures by which a taxpayer may obtain automatic consent to change certain methods of accounting. A taxpayer complying with all the applicable provisions of this revenue procedure has obtained the consent of the Commissioner to change the taxpayer's method of accounting under § 446(e) of the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations thereunder.

Section 6.02(3)(a) of Rev. Proc. 2008-52 provides that a taxpayer changing a method of accounting pursuant to Rev. Proc. 2008-52 must complete and file a Form 3115 in duplicate. The original must be attached to the taxpayer's timely filed (including extensions) original federal tax return for the year of change, and a signed copy of the Form 3115 must be filed with the IRS national office no earlier than the first day of the year of change and no later than when the original is filed with the federal income tax return for the year of change.

Section 301.9100-1(c) provides that the Commissioner has discretion to grant a reasonable extension of time under the rules set forth in §§ 301.9100-2 and 301.9100-3 to make certain regulatory elections. Section 301.9100-1(b) defines a "regulatory election" as an election whose due date is prescribed by a regulation published in the Federal Register, or a revenue ruling, revenue procedure, notice or announcement published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin.

Sections 301.9100-1 through 301.9100-3 provide the standards the Commissioner will use to determine whether to grant an extension of time to make an election. Section 301.9100-2 provides automatic extensions of time for making certain elections. Section 301.9100-3 provides extensions of time for making elections that do not meet the requirements of § 301.9100-2.

Section 301.9100-3(a) provides that requests for relief under § 301.9100-3 will be granted when the taxpayer provides evidence to establish to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the taxpayer acted reasonably and in good faith, and that granting relief will not prejudice the interests of the government.

Based solely on the facts and representations submitted, including affidavits, we conclude that the requirements of §§ 301.9100-1 and 301-9100-3 have been satisfied. Accordingly, an extension of time is hereby granted for Taxpayer to file the necessary copies of the Forms 3115 with the IRS national office. The extension shall be for a period of 30 days from the date of this ruling. Please attach a copy of this ruling to the Forms 3115 when they are filed.

Except as ruled upon above, no opinion is expressed or implied concerning the federal income tax consequences arising from Taxpayer's activities. Specifically, we express

no opinion concerning whether Taxpayer is qualified to file its application for a change in accounting method under Rev. Proc. 2008-52 or that it otherwise meets the requirements of that revenue procedure.

This ruling is directed only to the taxpayer requesting it. Section 6110(k)(3) of the Code provides that it may not be used or cited as precedent.

Pursuant to the power of attorney on file with this office, a copy of this letter is being sent to your authorized representatives.

Sincerely,

NORMA C. ROTUNNO
Senior Technician Reviewer, Branch 2
Office of Associate Chief Counsel
(Income Tax & Accounting)

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