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<u>X</u> =

<u>State</u> = Date 1 =

Dear :

This responds to a letter dated September 6, 2011, submitted on behalf of \underline{X} , requesting that the Service grant \underline{X} an extension of time under § 301.9100-3 of the Procedure and Administration Regulations to make an entity classification election.

The information submitted states that \underline{X} was formed under the laws of \underline{State} . \underline{X} represents that it was eligible to elect to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation for federal tax purposes effective $\underline{Date\ 1}$. However, \underline{X} failed to timely file Form 8832, Entity Classification Election, electing to treat \underline{X} as an association taxable as a corporation effective Date 1.

Section 301.7701-3(a) provides that a business entity that is not classified as a corporation under § 301.7701-2(b)(1), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), or (8) (an "eligible entity") can elect its classification for federal tax purposes. A "business entity" is any entity recognized for federal tax purposes that is not properly classified as a trust under § 301.7701-4 or otherwise subject to special treatment under the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 301.7701-3(c)(1)(i) provides that an eligible entity may elect to be classified other than as provided under § 301.7701-3(b) by filing Form 8832 with the service center designated on the form.

Section 301.7701-3(c)(1)(iii) provides that an election made under § 301.7701-3(c)(1)(i) will be effective on the date specified by the entity on Form 8832 or on the date filed, if no such date is specified on the election form. The effective date specified on Form 8832 can not be more than 75 days prior to the date on which the election is

filed and can not be more than 12 months after the date on which the election is filed.

Section 301.9100-1(c) provides that the Commissioner may grant a reasonable extension of time to make a regulatory election, or a statutory election (but no more than 6 months except in the case of a taxpayer who is abroad), under all subtitles of the Internal Revenue Code except subtitles E, G, H, and I. Section 301.9100-1(b) defines the term "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 the election.

Section 301.9100-2 provides the rules governing automatic extensions of time for making certain elections.

Section 301.9100-3 provides the standards the Commissioner will use to determine whether to grant an extension of time for regulatory elections that do not meet the requirements of § 301.9100-2. Under § 301.9100-3, a request for relief will be granted when the taxpayer provides evidence to establish to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that (1) the taxpayer acted reasonably and in good faith, and (2) granting relief will not prejudice the interests of the government.

Based solely on the information submitted and representations made, we conclude that the requirements of § 301.9100-3 have been satisfied. As a result, \underline{X} is granted an extension of time of 120 days from the date of this letter to file a Form 8832 with the appropriate service center and elect to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation effective <u>Date 1</u>. A copy of this letter should be attached to the Form 8832. A copy is enclosed for that purpose.

Except as expressly provided herein, we express or imply no opinion concerning the federal tax consequences of any aspect of any transaction or item discussed or referenced in this letter.

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.

In accordance with a power of attorney on file with this office, a copy of this letter is being sent to \underline{X} 's authorized representatives.

Sincerely,

Associate Chief Counsel (Passthroughs & Special Industries)

By: Bradford R. Poston Senior Counsel, Branch 2 Office of Associate Chief Counsel (Passthroughs & Special Industries)

Enclosures (2):

Copy of this letter

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