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LEGEND

<u>X</u> =

Date 1 =

<u>Date 2</u> =

State =

Dear :

This letter responds to a letter dated May 10, 2024, and subsequent correspondence submitted on behalf of \underline{X} by its authorized representative, requesting that the Service grant \underline{X} an extension of time under § 301.9100-3 of the Procedure and Administration Regulations to file an election under § 301.7701-3 to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation, and relief to file a late S corporation election under § 1362(b)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code").

FACTS

The information submitted states that \underline{X} was formed as a limited liability company on $\underline{Date\ 1}$ under the laws of \underline{State} . \underline{X} represents that it was eligible and intended to be treated as an S corporation effective $\underline{Date\ 2}$. However, \underline{X} failed to timely file Form 2553, Election by a Small Business Corporation, or any separate Form 8832, Entity Classification Election, effective $\underline{Date\ 2}$.

LAW AND ANALYSIS

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), (8) (an eligible entity) can elect its classification for federal tax purposes. An eligible entity with at least two members can elect to be classified as either an association (and thus a corporation under § 301.7701-2(b)) or a partnership. Elections are necessary only when an eligible entity does not want to be classified under its default classification or when an eligible entity chooses to change its classification.

Section 301.7701-3(b)(1) provides that unless the entity elects otherwise, a domestic eligible entity is: (i) a partnership if it has two or more members; or (ii) disregarded as an entity separate from its owner if it has a single owner.

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 filling Form 8832 with the appropriate service center. Section 301.7701-3(c)(1)(iii) provides that this election will be effective on the date specified by the entity on Form 8832 or on the date filed if no such election is specified. The date specified on Form 8832 cannot be more than 75 days prior to the date on which the election is filed.

Section 301.7701-3(c)(1)(v)(C) provides that an eligible entity that timely elects to be an S corporation under § 1362(a)(1) is treated as having made an election under § 301.7701-3 to be classified as an association, provided that (as of the effective date of the election under § 1362(a)(1)) the entity meets all other requirements to qualify as a small business corporation under § 1361(b). Subject to § 301.7701-3(c)(1)(iv), the deemed election to be classified as an association will apply as of the effective date of the S Corporation election and will remain in effect until the entity makes a valid election under § 301.7701-3(c)(1)(i), to be classified as other than an association.

Section 1362(a) provides that a small business corporation may elect to be an S corporation.

Section 1362(b)(1) provides that an election under § 1362(a) may be made by a small business corporation for any taxable year at any time during the preceding taxable year, or at any time during the taxable year and on or before the 15th day of the third month of the taxable year.

Section 1362(b)(3) provides that if (A) a small business corporation makes an election under § 1362(a) for any taxable year, and (B) such election is made after the 15th day of the third month of the taxable year and on or before the 15th day of the third month of the following taxable year, then such election is treated as made for the following taxable year.

Section 1362(b)(5) provides that if (A) an election under § 1362(a) is made for any taxable year (determined without regard to § 1362(b)(3)) after the date prescribed

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by § 1362(b) for making the election for the taxable year or no election is made for any taxable year, and (B) the Secretary determines that there was reasonable cause for the failure to timely make the election, then the Secretary may treat the election as timely made for the taxable year (and § 1362(b)(3) shall not apply).

Section 301.9100-1(c) provides that the Commissioner may grant a reasonable extension of time under the rules set form in §§ 301.9100-2 and 301.9100-3 to make a regulatory election, or a statutory election (but not more than 6 months except in the case of a taxpayer who is abroad), under all subtitles of the Code except subtitles E, G, H, and I. Section 301.9100-1(b) provides that the term "regulatory election" includes an election whose due date is prescribed by a regulation published in the Federal Register.

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 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.

Section 301.9100-3(a) provides that requests for relief subject to § 301.9100-3 will be granted when the taxpayer provides the evidence (including affidavits described in § 301.9100-3(e)) to establish to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that (1) the taxpayer acted reasonably and in good faith, and (2) the grant of relief will not prejudice the interests of the Government.

CONCLUSION

Based solely on the facts submitted and representations made, we conclude that \underline{X} has satisfied the requirements of §§ 301.9100-1 and 301.9100-3. 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, Entity Classification Election, with the appropriate service center to elect to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation for federal tax purposes, effective <u>Date 2</u>. A copy of this letter should be attached to the Form 8832.

In addition, based solely on the facts submitted and representations made, we conclude that \underline{X} has established reasonable cause for failing to make a timely election to be an S corporation effective $\underline{Date\ 2}$ and is eligible for relief under § 1362(b)(5). Accordingly, provided that \underline{X} makes an election to be S corporation by filing a completed Form 2553 effective $\underline{Date\ 2}$, along with a copy of this letter with the appropriate service center within 120 days from the date of this letter, such election will be treated as timely made for $\underline{Date\ 2}$. A copy of this letter must accompany Form 2553.

These rulings are contingent on \underline{X} and its shareholders filing within 120 days from the date of this letter all required returns for all open years consistent with the requested relief. A copy of this letter must accompany any such returns.

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We express no opinion concerning the assessment of any interest, additions to tax, additional amounts or penalties for failure to file a timely tax or information return with respect to any taxable year that must be affected by these rulings.

Except as provided herein, we express or imply no opinion concerning the federal tax consequences of the facts of this case under any other provision of the Code. Specifically, we express or imply no opinion regarding \underline{X} 's eligibility to be an S corporation. In addition, § 301.9100-1(a) provides that the granting of an extension of time for making an election is not a determination that the taxpayer us otherwise eligible to make the election.

The rulings contained in this letter are based upon information and representations submitted by the taxpayer and accompanied by a penalty of perjury statement executed by an appropriate party. While this office has not verified any of the material submitted in support of the request for rulings, it is subject to verification on examination.

These rulings are 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 the Power of Attorney on file with this office, a copy of this letter is being sent to your authorized representative.

Sincerely,

Associate Chief Counsel (Passthroughs, Trusts and Estates)

By: _____

Robert D. Alinsky Branch Chief, Branch 3 (Passthroughs, Trusts and Estates)

Enclosure:

Copy of this letter for § 6110 purposes

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