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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: JUN 02 2006

FIRST COMMAND EDUCATIONAL
FOUNDATION
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FORT WORTH, TX 76113-2387

Employer Identification Number:

75-1973894

DLN:

406011007

Contact Person:

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(877) 829-5500

60 Month Period Ends:

December 31, 2010

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 January 1, 2006.

The information submitted indicates that you intend to operate as an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Code during the 60 month period.

Based on your proposed activities and support, it is held that you can reasonably be expected to terminate your private foundation status under section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Code. Accordingly, you will be treated as a public charity described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Code for an advance ruling period of 60 months beginning January 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.

Letter 2245 (DO/CG)

FIRST COMMAND EDUCATIONAL

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 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.

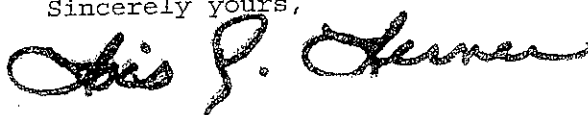
If you do not pay the tax imposed by section 4940 of the Code for any taxable year or years during the 60 month period, and it is subsequently determined that such tax is due for such year or years, you will be liable for interest in accordance with section 6601 of the Code. Since any failure to pay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

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

Original

Internal Revenue Service

Department of the Treasury
P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

Date: April 30, 2001

First Command Educational Foundation
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Fort Worth, TX 761132387

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513-263-3756
Federal Identification Number:
75-1973894

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your Articles Of Amendment, filed April 4, 2001 with the State of Texas, changing your name from USPA & IRA Educational Foundation, to the above as listed.

Our records reflect that we issued a determination letter in July 1984, which recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Based on information subsequently submitted, we classified your organization as a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code. In that letter we did not determine whether the organization was an operating foundation as defined in section 4942(j)(3) of the code.

If your organization's purposes, character, method of operations, or sources of support have changed, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on the organization's exemption and foundation status.

Donors may deduct contributions to your organization as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to the organization or for its 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.

Your organization is 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 the organization's annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is a reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of the organization's gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so please be sure the return is complete before filing it.

Your organization is liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more paid each employee during a calendar year. Your organization is not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA). However, since your organization is a private foundation, it is subject to excise tax under Chapter 42 of the Code. Your organization may also be subject to other federal excise taxes.

Internal Revenue Service
District Director

Department of the Treasury

Date: June 23, 1984

Employer Identification Number:

Person to Contact:

EO Technical Assistor
Contact Telephone Number:
(214) 767-3526

▷ USPA & IRA Educational Foundation
6000 Camp Bowie P.O.Box 2387
Ft. Worth, Texas 76113

Dear Applicant:

Based on information 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(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

We have further determined that, as indicated in your application, you are a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code. In this letter, we are not determining whether you are an operating foundation as defined in section 4942(j)(3).

If your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

Generally, you are not liable for social security (FICA) taxes unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. If you have paid FICA taxes without filing the waiver, you should call us. 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.

You are required to file Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation Exempt from Income Tax. Also, your foundation managers are required to file an annual report if you have at least \$5,000 of assets at any time during the tax year. (Form 990-AR, Annual Report of Private Foundation, may be used for this purpose.) The annual report, if required, and the 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