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Dear

This responds to your request for late S corporation election relief to be effective as of the 1996 taxable year (year of incorporation). In Revenue Procedure 97-48, the Internal Revenue Service permits taxpayers in certain situations to obtain automatic late S corporation relief instead of applying for a private letter ruling. The facts presented in your situation appear to be covered by section 4.01 of Rev. Proc. 97-48, so we have intervened on your behalf and asked the service center staff to update your account for the requested effective date. If you fail to receive an acceptance notice within 60 days after the date of this letter, please call the listed contact person.

In addition, the IRS has developed two new CD-ROMs to help educate small business owners on their tax responsibilities: (1) Introduction to Federal Taxes for Small Business/Self-Employed; and (2) A Virtual Small Business Workshop. These two CD-ROMs are free and can be ordered by calling 1-800-829-3676. The IRS also provides a special website, www.irs.gov/businesses/small which is dedicated to providing information to small business taxpayers.

Please keep this letter with your tax records and feel free to provide a copy of it to your authorized representative. We hope that the above information proves helpful.

Sincerely yours,

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