

Internal Revenue Service

Date: November 30, 2004

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513-263-3756
Federal Identification Number:
62-0579243
Group Exemption Number:
0928

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of November 30, 2004 regarding your organization's tax-exempt status.

Our records indicate your organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Your organization is included in the group ruling issued to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, which is not a private foundation within the meaning of 509(a) of the Code because it is described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(i).

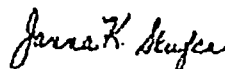
The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is listed in Publication 78. Donors may deduct contributions to your organization under section 170 of the code.

As your organization is included in a group ruling, there is not an individual exemption letter for it. The group exemption letter applies to all of the subordinate organizations on whose behalf the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has applied for recognition of exemption. If you want a copy of the group exemption letter please contact your central organization.

If you are operating an educational organization that normally maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and normally has a regularly enrolled body of pupils or students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are regularly carried on, you are required to file Form 5578, *Annual Certification of Racial Nondiscrimination for a Private School Exempt From Federal Income Tax*. Form 5578 is due annually by the 15th day of the 5th month following the end of the organization's accounting period.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,



Janna K. Skufca, Director, TE/GE
Customer Account Services