DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE P. O. BOX 2508 CINCINNATI, OH 45201

Date: FEB 1 4 2006

THE GORDON HARTMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION C/O MICHAEL V BOURLAND 301 COMMERCE STE 1500 FORT WORTH, TX 76102-4115 Employer Identification Number: 20-3537281
DLN: 17053010002016
Contact Person: RONALD D BELL ID# 31185
Contact Telephone Number: (877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending: DECEMBER 31
Effective Date of Exemption: SEPTEMBER 27, 2005

## Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code. You are required to file Form 990-PF annually.

Please see enclosed Information for Private Foundations Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3) for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization. You can obtain information about private foundation status by requesting Publication 578, Tax Information for Private Foundations and Foundation Managers.

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

Sincerely,

Lois G. Lerner

Director, Exempt Organizations

Rulings and Agreements

Enclosure: Information for Private Foundations Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)

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