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Internal Revenue Service  
P.O. Box 2508  
Cincinnati, OH 45201

Department of the Treasury

Date: APR 28 2011

The Energy Foundation  
301 Battery Street  
San Francisco, CA 94111

**Employer Identification Number:**  
94-3126848  
**Person to Contact - ID Number:**  
Regina Parker - 0203273  
**Contact Telephone Number:**  
877-829-5500 Toll-Free  
**Accounting Period Ending:**  
December 31  
**Form 990 Required:**  
Yes

Dear Sir or Madam:

On June 30, 2005 you notified the Internal Revenue Service of your intent to terminate your foundation status as a private foundation under section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and become a public charity. In our letter of April 11, 2006, we stated that you would be treated as a public charity until the expiration of your 60-month advance ruling period.

Based on the information you submitted at the end of the advance ruling period, we determined that you have terminated your private foundation status under the provisions of section 507(b)(1)(B) of the Code. Accordingly, as of January 1, 2006 you have been reclassified as a public charity described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Code. Since your exempt status was not under consideration, you continue to be classified an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, provides detailed information about your responsibilities as a public charity. You may also wish to access the Life Cycle of a Public Charity and other useful information available on the IRS Charities and Non-profits website at [www.irs.gov/eo](http://www.irs.gov/eo).

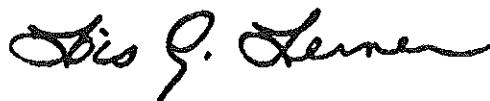
We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in Form 2848, Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

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If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lois J. Lerner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "L".

Lois Lerner  
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure:  
Publication 4221-PC