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### To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that United Spinal Association, Inc. ("USA") received a Group Exemption Letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated August 17, 2015, recognizing USA's subordinates as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and determining that donors may deduct contributions to USA's subordinates as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. A copy of the Group Exemption Letter is attached hereto.

USA's Group Exemption Number is 6142.

Pursuant to the Group Exemption Letter, USA is permitted to add additional subordinates to its Group Exemption roster, including subordinates not listed in USA's initial application for group exemption.

This letter is to inform you that, after due deliberation, USA has added the following subordinate to its Group Exemption roster:

United Spinal Association of North Texas: EIN# 83-2678068

# 7300 Henneman Way unit 4113 McKinney, TX 75070

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact USA's legal counsel in this matter, Carol Ilasi of Perlman & Perlman, LLP at 212-889-0575.

Sincerely,

Vincenzo Piscopo President & CEO

United Spinal Association, Inc.

## **Internal Revenue Service**

P.O. Box 2508 Cincinnati OH 45202

Date: AUG 172015

United Spinal Association Inc C/O Cliff Perlman Perlman & Perlman, LLP 41 Madison Avenue, Suite 4000 New York, NY 10010

## **Department of the Treasury**

Employer Identification Number: 13-5612621 Person to Contact and ID Number: Julie Chen, 0202990 Toll Free Contact Number: (877) 829-5500 Addendum Applies

### Dear Sir or Madam:

We have considered your application for a group exemption letter recognizing your subordinates as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as organizations of the type described in section 501(c)(3).

Our records show that you were recognized as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Based on information you supplied, we recognize your subordinates whose names appear on the list you submitted as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Additionally, we have classified the organizations that you operate, supervise, or control, and that are covered by your notification to us, as organizations that are not private foundations because they are organizations of the type described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to your subordinates as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to your subordinates or for their use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of section 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Your subordinates whose gross receipts each year are normally more than \$50,000 are each required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of their annual accounting period. If you prefer, you may file a group return for those subordinates that authorize you in writing to include them in that return. If you are required to file Form 990 for your own activities, you must file a separate return and may not be included on any group return that you file for your subordinates. The law imposes a penalty of \$20 a day when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty imposed cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. 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

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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 your subordinates should make sure their returns are complete before filing them.

For tax periods beginning after December 31, 2006, and before December 31, 2010, organizations with gross receipts of \$25,000 or less must file an annual electronic notice, Form 990-N. For tax periods after December 31, 2010, the gross receipts limit changed from \$25,000 to \$50,000. Organizations included in a group return are excepted from this requirement. Alternatively, organizations with gross receipts of \$50,000 or less may file a complete Form 990 Package.

Your subordinates are required to make their annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return or the date the return is filed. You and your subordinates are also required to make available for public inspection your group exemption application, any supporting documents and this exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

Your subordinates are not required to file federal income tax returns unless subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. Each organization subject to this tax must file Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your subordinates' present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

As of January 1, 1984, each of your subordinates is liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on remuneration of \$100 or more they pay to each of their employees during a calendar year. Your subordinates are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Each year, at least 90 days before the end of your annual accounting period, please send the items listed below to the Internal Revenue Service Center at the address shown below.

- 1. A statement describing any changes during the year in the purposes, character, or method of operation of your subordinates;
- 2. A list showing the names, mailing addresses (including Postal ZIP codes), actual addresses if different, and employer identification numbers of subordinates that, since your previous report:

- a. Changed names or address;
- b. Were deleted from your roster; or
- c. Were added to your roster.
- 3. For subordinates to be added, attach:
  - a. A statement that the information on which your present group exemption letter is based applies to the new subordinates;
  - b. A statement that each has given you written authorization to add its name to the roster;
  - c. A list of those to which the Service previously issued exemption rulings or determination letters;
  - d. A statement that none of the subordinates is a private foundation as defined in section 509(a) of the Code if the group exemption letter covers organizations described in section 501(c)(3);
  - e. The street address of each subordinate whose mailing address is a P.O. Box; and
  - f. The information required by Revenue Procedure 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, for each subordinate that is a school claiming exemption under section 501(c)(3). Also include any other information necessary to establish that the school is complying with the requirements of Revenue Ruling 71-447, 1971-2 C.B. 230. This is the same information required by Schedule B, Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 4. If applicable, a statement that your group exemption roster did not change since your previous report.

Please mail the information requested in this letter to the following address:

Internal Revenue Service Ogden UT 84201

Revenue Procedure 80-27, 1980-1 C.B. 677, section 4.02, part 6, provides that a group exemption letter may be issued covering subordinates, of which one or more have been organized prior to 15 months of the date of submission of the group exemption request, only if all subordinates agree to prospective exemption from the filing date of the group exemption request. Since you have subordinates that were organized prior to 15 months of the date of your application and your subordinates have agreed to prospective exemption, the exempt status of all of your subordinates is effective April 17, 2015, the date your application was submitted.

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Your subordinates are required to file Federal income tax return(s), Form 1120 and pay any taxes due, for each year or part of a year that ended prior to the effective date of your group exemption.

Your Group Exemption Number is 6142. Your subordinates are required to include this number on each Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, and Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return, that they file. Please advise your subordinates of this requirement and provide them with the Group Exemption Number.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, *Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities*, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

If the heading of this letter indicates that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about the exempt status and foundation status of your subordinates, you should keep it for your records.

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

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

Sincerely yours,

Jeffrey I. Cooper

Director, Exempt Organizations

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