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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20224

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This is in response to your request, dated February 19, 2013, as supplemented by correspondence dated March 25, 2014, in which your authorized representative, on your behalf, requested a waiver of the 60-day rollover requirement contained in section 408(d)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code").

The following facts and representations have been submitted under penalty of perjury in support of the ruling requested.

Taxpayer represents that he received a distribution of Amount 1 from IRA X. Amount 2 was withheld from the distribution for federal income tax. Within 60 days of the date of distribution, Taxpayer rolled over the net distribution, Amount 3, into IRA X.

Taxpayer asserts that his failure to accomplish a rollover of Amount 2 within the 60 day period prescribed by section 408(d)(3) of the Code was due to an error made by his financial adviser, a representative of Financial Institution A. Taxpayer represents that Amount 2 has not been used for any other purpose.

Taxpayer met with his investment adviser at Financial Institution A, the custodian of IRA X. A portion of IRA X was invested in an annuity with Financial Institution B. The adviser indicated that he would arrange a withdrawal from the annuity at Financial Institution B to be rolled over into IRA X. The adviser obtained the necessary form from Financial Institution B and completed it for Taxpayer's signature. However, the sections of the form indicating that it was intended to be a direct transfer within IRA X and that there should be no tax withholding were not completed

Taxpayer signed the distribution form on September 1, 2012. A check for Amount 3 with Amount 2 being withheld was issued on September 14, 2012 and received by Taxpayer on or about September 18, 2012. Taxpayer immediately gave the check to his financial adviser and it was deposited in IRA X on September 19, 2012. Taxpayer represents that he did not realize that taxes had been withheld until after the expiration of the 60-day rollover period.

Based on the facts and representations, you request a ruling that the Internal Revenue Service (the "Service") waive the 60-day rollover requirement contained in section 408(d)(3) of the Code with respect to the distribution of Amount 2.

Section 408(d)(1) of the Code provides that, except as otherwise provided in section 408(d) of the Code, any amount paid or distributed out of an IRA shall be included in gross income by the payee or distributee, as the case may be, in the manner provided under section 72 of the Code.

Section 408(d)(3) of the Code defines, and provides the rules applicable to IRA rollovers.

Section 408(d)(3)(A) of the Code provides that section 408(d)(1) of the Code does not apply to any amount paid or distributed out of an IRA to the individual for whose benefit the IRA is maintained if

- (i) the entire amount received (including money and any other property) is paid into an IRA for the benefit of such individual not later than the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the day on which the individual receives the payment or distribution; or
- (ii) the entire amount received (including money and any other property) is paid into an eligible retirement plan (other than an IRA) for the benefit of such individual not later than the 60<sup>th</sup> day after the date on which the payment or distribution is received, except that the maximum amount which may be paid into such plan may not exceed the portion of the amount received which is includible in gross income (determined without regard to section 408(d)(3) of the Code).

Section 408(d)(3)(B) of the Code provides that section 408(d)(3) of the Code does not apply to any amount described in section 408(d)(3)(A)(i) of the Code received by an individual from an IRA if at any time during the 1-year period ending on the day of such receipt such individual received any other amount described in section 408(d)(3)(A)(i) of the Code from an IRA which was not includible in gross income because of the application of section 408(d)(3 of the Code).

Section 408(d)(3)(D) of the Code provides a similar 60-day rollover period for partial rollovers.

Section 408(d)(3)(E) of the Code provides that the rollover provisions of section 408(d) of the Code do not apply to any amount required to be distributed under section 408(a)(6) of the Code.

Section 408(d)(3)(I) of the Code provides that the Secretary may waive the 60-day requirement under sections 408(d)(3)(A) and 408(d)(3)(D) of the Code where the failure to waive such requirement would be against equity or good conscience, including casualty, disaster, or other events beyond the reasonable control of the individual subject to such requirement.

Rev. Proc. 2003-16, 2003-4 I.R.B. 359 (January 27, 2003) provides that in determining whether to grant a waiver of the 60-day rollover requirement pursuant to section 408(d)(3)(I) of the Code, the Service will consider all relevant facts and circumstances, including: (1) errors committed by a financial institution; (2) inability to complete a rollover due to death, disability, hospitalization, incarceration, restrictions imposed by a foreign country or postal error, (3) the use of the amount distributed (for example, in the case of payment by check, whether the check was cashed); and (4) the time elapsed since the distribution occurred.

The information presented and documentation submitted by Taxpayer is consistent with his assertion that his failure to accomplish a timely rollover was caused by an error on the part of a representative of Financial Institution A.

Therefore, pursuant to section 408(d)(3)(l) of the Code, the Service hereby waives the 60-day rollover requirement with respect to the distribution of Amount 2 from IRA X. Taxpayer is granted a period of 60 days from the issuance of this ruling letter to contribute Amount 2 into an IRA or other eligible retirement plan. Provided all other requirements of section 408(d)(3) of the Code, except the 60-day requirement, are met with respect to such contribution, the contribution of Amount 2 will be considered a rollover contribution within the meaning of section 408(d)(3) of the Code.

This ruling does not authorize the rollover of amounts that are required to be distributed by section 401(a)(9) of the Code.

No opinion is expressed as to the tax treatment of the transaction described in this ruling under the provisions of any other section of either the Code or regulations which may be applicable.

This letter is directed only to the taxpayer who requested it. Section 6110(k)(3) of the Code provides that it may not be used or cited as precedent.

Pursuant to a power of attorney on file with this office, a copy of this letter is being sent to your authorized representative.

If you wish to inquire about this ruling, please contact \*\*\*\*\*. Please address all correspondence to SE:T:EP:RA:T2

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures:

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