# Internal Revenue Service **Department of the Treasury** Date: **Taxpayer Identification Number:** Tax Year: Form Number: **Person to Contact: Employee Identification Number: Contact Telephone Number:** Fax Number: Dear Your federal income tax return for the year shown above has been selected for examination. We examine tax returns to verify the correctness of income, deductions, exemptions, and credits. WHAT YOU NEED TO DO Please call the individual listed above WITHIN 10 DAYS to schedule an appointment. Please call between the hours of , Monday through Friday. ISSUES TO BE REVIEWED DURING THE EXAMINATION Your examination will primarily be focused on the following issues: 1.

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#### WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU TO THE EXAMINATION

Attached to this letter is an Information Document Request that lists the items on your return to be examined and the supporting items you need to provide. Please include complete copies of your and individual income tax returns. You should organize your records according to the issues identified above. For additional information see the enclosed Publication 1, *Your Rights as a Taxpayer*, and Notice 609, *Privacy Act Notice*.

#### WHY THE INFORMATION DOCUMENT REQUEST IS IMPORTANT

It is important that you read and fully understand the attached Information Document Request. It lists the items you should bring with you to the appointment. To ensure an efficient examination and to save you time, please organize the requested items according to the issues identified above in this letter. If you have any questions or need additional guidance, please feel free to contact us.

### WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE EXAMINATION

The examination is scheduled to last approximately hours. During the examination, I will review the information you provide. My goal is to complete your examination at the initial meeting. However, depending on the results of the initial meeting and the supporting items you provide, I may ask you to provide additional information or schedule a follow-up meeting. When the examination is completed, you may owe additional tax, be due a refund, or there may be no change to your return.

A video presentation, "Your Guide to an IRS Audit", is available at <a href="http://www.irsvideos.gov/audit">http://www.irsvideos.gov/audit</a>. The video explains the examination process and will assist you in preparing for your audit.

### WHO MAY COME TO THE EXAMINATION

If you filed a joint return, you and/or your spouse may attend. You may also have someone represent you at the examination. If you will not attend with your representative, you must provide a completed Form 2848, *Power of Attorney*, or Form 8821, *Tax Information Authorization*, by the start of the examination. You can obtain these forms from our office, from our web site, <a href="www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a>, or by calling (800) 829-3676.

## WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND

If you do not respond to this letter, we will issue an examination report showing additional tax due. Therefore, it is to your advantage to call and schedule an appointment. If you are uncertain about the records needed or the examination process, we will answer your questions when you call to schedule your appointment.

Sincerely,

**Examining Officer** 

Enclosures: Information Document Request Publication 1 Notice 609