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Employer Identification Number:  
47-1978379  
DLN:  
17053314311044  
Contact Person:  
RENEE RAILEY NORTON ID# 31172  
Contact Telephone Number:  
(877) 829-5500  
Accounting Period Ending:  
December 31  
Public Charity Status:  
170(b)(1)(a)(vi)  
Form 990 Required:  
Yes  
Effective Date of Exemption:  
September 29, 2014  
Contribution Deductibility:  
Yes  
Addendum Applies:  
No

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 public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to [www.irs.gov/charities](http://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.

MONTEREY BAY FISHERIES TRUST

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tamera Ripperda". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Director, Exempt Organizations