

This letter will outline the services and related fees we will be providing to our 2023 business tax clients (S-Corp, C-Corp and Partnership) during the upcoming tax season.

Like last year, there will be limited in-person meetings during tax season. However, you can schedule an in-person appointment with your tax advisor, for any questions or concerns you may have, from May 1 thru December 15, 2024 by calling the office weekdays from 8 AM to 4 PM.

BANK INFORMATION, YOUR RESPONSIBILITY - If you changed bank accounts since January 1, 2023, or called our office in 2023 to change your bank account information for payroll and/or sales tax, this information may not have been changed in our income tax software. To verify that we are taking your income taxes from the right account, contact our office by phone (315-342-4900), by fax (315-342-5100) our or by email: (bbaldwin@rjcarusotax.com) any weekday from 8 AM to 4 PM.

FINCEN & NYS FILINGS – Beginning January 1, 2024, all S-Corps, C-Corps and LLCs will have to register with the Federal government. The purpose of this law is to promote transparency in the ownership of businesses for law enforcement. Our office will register your business with FINCEN along with updating your NYSDOS Biennial Statement and e-filing your LLC Filing Fee Payment (Form IT-204-LL) for a separate fee. If you're interested in this service, please let your tax preparer know when submitting your 2023 tax information.

TAX PREPARATION FEE –The *minimum fee* to prepare your business tax return for 2023 will be **\$500.00** which has not changed from last year.

- a) Personal Returns a fee will also be charged for each shareholder's personal income tax returns, but the fee will be incorporated into the business invoice to maximize your deduction.
- **b)** Accounting Service If we provided computerized financial accounting, write-up service or Quick Books support during the year, your fee will be adjusted accordingly. For 2023, our consulting fee remains at \$150.00 per hour.

DELIVERY OF TAX INFORMATION: You can submit your tax information to us by using: **U. S. Mail** (P.O. Box 2066, Oswego, NY 13126), **Private Carrier** (UPS, FedEx, DHL – 364 East Ave, Oswego, NY 13126), **Fax** (315-342-5100), **Email** (Each preparer has a separate Email address), **Upload from Website Portal** (rjcarusotax.com) *or* you can drop off.

Drop Off at The Office - The drop off window in the office lobby will be accessible **Mon-Thurs: 8am to 7pm; Fri: 8am to 5pm; and Sat: 9am to 2pm**, beginning **Monday, January 29**th. There is also a secure drop box located outside at the west end of the building behind the yellow guard posts next to the portable generator accessible **24 hours a day, 7 days per week**.

PICK-UP AND APPOINTMENTS - Once your tax return(s) are finished, someone from our front office will text or call you for pickup. Please review the return(s) at home upon receipt (ASAP) and if you have a specific question or concern, please contact our office immediately. Your preparer or one of our staff members will contact you directly if there appears to be tax information missing or if there is a question, after an initial review of your tax documents.

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ORGANIZER – If you would like our two-page Organizer, which lists most of the income and expense items normally reported when preparing a business tax return, it can be down-loaded from our website (rjcarusotax.com) or emailed to you by calling the office during normal business hours.

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT - If we don't provide writeup service or Quick Books support for your business, you <u>MUST</u> provide us with all income and expense figures either on the above-mentioned Organizer or a separate spreadsheet that you have prepared.

BALANCE SHEET FIGURES -ALL businesses MUST provide us with the following Balance Sheet Amounts:

- a) Bank Balances Account Balances as of 1/1/2023 and 12/31/2023 from <u>all</u> checking and savings accounts in the name of the S-Corp, C-Corp, or Partnership.
- b) Other Balance Sheet Figures In addition to bank balances, we need:
 - 1) Balance(s) for all loans that are in the name of the business as of 12/31/2023.
 - 2) Balance owed to NYS Sales Tax as of 12/31/2023, including December 2023 sales tax.
 - **3)** List of all new equipment purchases over \$2,500.00 (Description, Date of Purchase and Purchase Amount).

FILING & DEADLINES - ALL Federal and New York State business income tax returns will be **filed electronically**, without exception. Filing deadlines and tax payment deadlines **(See "Bank Information" on page 1)**. vary depending on the entity:

- a) S-Corporation Due by 3/15/2024. There is no Federal tax due. NYS tax is a fixed dollar amount based on gross receipts and will be electronically withdrawn from your business account on or before 3/15/2024.
- **b)** Partnership Due by **3/15/2024**. There is no Federal or NYS tax due, but if you're an LLC filing as a Partnership there is an annual LLC filing fee due by 3/15/2024.
- c) C-Corporation Due by 4/15/2024. A C-Corp differs from an S-Corp and Partnership in that Federal and NYS taxes are paid by the entity based on its profit or loss for the year, and they will be electronically withdrawn from your business account by 4/15/2024.

EXTENSIONS - Filing for a 6-month extension **does** <u>NOT</u> extend time to pay. Both taxing authorities allow an *automatic 6-month extension* by electronically filing for an extension on or before the original due date. Our office files a substantial number of business tax returns each year so if we contact you in early March to inform you that we will be filing an extension for your business, your understanding and patience is greatly appreciated.

PAYMENT FOR SERVICE – Payment (Cash, Check, Credit Card, E-Check or Venmo @rjtax) is due upon completion of the tax returns unless credit arrangements have been established prior to tax season.

1099 FILING - You are required to issue Form 1099-NEC or 1099-MISC to any *individual* you paid \$600.00 or more during the calendar year. *The IRS assesses a severe penalty for non-filing*. If you want us to prepare your 1099's please send us the name, address, social security number and amount paid to those individual(s) by **Friday, January 12, 2024**. There will be a *minimum fee* of **\$50.00** for 1099 preparation and e-filing with the IRS.

As always, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to call, fax, or e-mail us. Our normal business hours are Monday-Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM.

Thank you for your continued confidence in our staff and we look forward to seeing you this tax season.

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THE TAXPAYER'S BALANCE DUE WILL B INFORMATION. MODIFY THE BANK AND ELECTRONIC PAYMENT INPUT FIELDS I	Form Payment Record E PAID ELECTRONICALLY USING THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT INFORMATION USING THE DIRECT DEPOSIT / N SCREEN 3.2.
Name of Bank	
Routing Transit Number	
Bank Account Number	
Type of Account	
Amount of Tax Payment	
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Requested Payment Date	
Taxpayer's Daytime Phone Number	
	BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Current Assets Cash Accounts Receivable Loans Receivable Inventory Total Current Assets	
Property, Plant & Eqpt: Land Buildings & Equipment Less: Accumulated Depreciation Intangible Assets Less: Accumulated Amortization Total Property, Plant & Eqpt	
Total Assets Liabilities & Stockholder	s Fauity
Liabilities: Accounts Payable Loans Payable - Short Term Loans Payable - Shareholders Accrued Payroll Taxes NYS Sales Tax Payable Accrued NYS Corp Tax Loans Payable - Long Term Total Liabilities	
Stockholder's Equity Capital Stock Paid In Capital Less: Treasury Stock Retained Earnings Total Stockholder's Equity	
Total Liabilities & Stockholder's Equity	

Company Name	
Income Statement Year Ending	
Sales Gross Receipts (Sales Tax NOT Included) Sales Tax - Vendor Collection Credit Miscellaneous Income (If Any)	
Cost of Goods Sold (If Applicable) Beginning Inventory (Your Cost) Purchases for Resale (Retail / Wholesale) Professional Supplies (Medical/Chiro, etc.) Material Purchases (Construction) Subcontract Labor (Construction) Less: Ending Inventory (Your Cost)	
General & Admin Expenses Accounting Fees Advertising Auto / Truck Expense Bands & Entertainment Bank Charges Charitable Contributions Cleaning & Maintenance Commissions Conferences & Seminars (Registration Fees) Delivery & Shipping (UPS, FedEx, etc.) Dues & Subscriptions Employee Training & Benefits Employee Leasing (Total Paid to Leasing Co) Equipment Rental Insurance (Liability, Comp, Auto, Fire) Insurance (Health) Interest Internet Service Laundry, Linen, Uniforms, Carpet Rental Lease Exp (Auto/Long Term Eqpt) Legal & Professional Fees Licenses & Permits Meals & Entertainment (100%) Miscellaneous Exp NYS Corporation Tax	

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	NYS Disability Insurance (DBL)	
	Office Expense	
	Outside or Casual Labor	
	Parking & Tolls	
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	Payroll Taxes (Emplr SS, Med, SUTA, FUTA)	
	Pension Plan Exp	
	Postage	
	Printing Expense	
	Real Property Taxes (City, County, School)	
	Rent - Bldg, Office, Storage, etc.	
	Grand Grand	
	Repairs (Building & Equipment)	
	Rubbish Removal	
	Salaries & Wages - Employees (Gross)	
	Salaries & Wages - Officers (Gross)	
	Security Expense	
	Supplies & Small Tools	
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	Telephone	
	Towing Expense	
	Travel, Airfare & Lodging	
	Uniforms	
	Utilities	
	Website Exp	
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Ra	cing Expenses (If Applicable) Admissions & Fees (Pit Passes, Registration) Chassis Parts & Repairs Engine Parts & Repairs Painting & Lettering Racing Fuel Racing Tires Safety Apparel (Helmet, Firesuit, etc.) Shop Supplies Truck & Hauler Exp (Gas, Repairs, etc.)	
ОТ	Interest or Dividend Income NYS Sales Tax Paid Business Account Balance @ 12/31 Business Loan Balance @ 12/31 New Equipment Purchases (Date/Desc/Amt)	