

Tax Reduction Letter

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Internal Revenue Code Section 168(f)(1)

Accelerated cost recovery system.

- (f) Property to which section does not apply. This section shall not apply to—
 - (1) Certain methods of depreciation. Any property if—
 - (A) the taxpayer elects to exclude such property from the application of this section, and
 - (B) for the 1st taxable year for which a depreciation deduction would be allowable with respect to such property in the hands of the taxpayer, the property is properly depreciated under the unit-of-production method or any method of depreciation not expressed in a term of years (other than the retirement-replacement-betterment method or similar method).
 - (2) Certain public utility property. Any public utility property (within the meaning of subsection (i)(10)) if the taxpayer does not use a normalization method of accounting.
 - (3) Films and video tape. Any motion picture film or video tape.
 - (4) Sound recordings. Any works which result from the fixation of a series of musical, spoken, or other sounds, regardless of the nature of the material (such as discs, tapes, or other phonorecordings) in which such sounds are embodied.
 - (5) Certain property placed in service in churning transactions.
 - (A) In general. Property—
 - (i) described in paragraph (4) of section 168(e) (as in effect before the amendments made by the Tax Reform Act of 1986), or
 - (ii) which would be described in such paragraph if such paragraph were applied by substituting "1987" for "1981" and "1986" for "1980" each place such terms appear.
 - (B) Subparagraph (A)(ii) not to apply. Clause (ii) of subparagraph (A) shall not apply to—
 - (i) any residential rental property or nonresidential real property,
 - (ii) any property if, for the 1st taxable year in which such property is placed in service—

- (I) the amount allowable as a deduction under this section (as in effect before the date of the enactment of this paragraph) with respect to such property is greater than,
- (II) the amount allowable as a deduction under this section (as in effect on or after such date and using the half-year convention) for such taxable year, or
- (iii)any property to which this section (as amended by the Tax Reform Act of 1986) applied in the hands of the transferor.
- (C) Special rule. In the case of any property to which this section would apply but for this paragraph, the depreciation deduction under section 167 shall be determined under the provisions of this section as in effect before the amendments made by section 201 of the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

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