

What the IRS determination letter states — sample

Alder Bend Land Trust · EIN 00-0000013

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A real determination letter carries IRS letterhead, a seal and a signature. This sample deliberately carries none of them: it presents the information such a letter contains, in the organization's own typography, so that nobody can mistake a demonstration document for a government one.

INFORMATION THE LETTER CARRIES

ITEM	STATED IN THE LETTER (SAMPLE)
Organization	Alder Bend Land Trust, Kettleford, Washington
Employer identification number	00-0000013 (an EIN beginning 00 cannot be real)
Exempt under	Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3)
Effective date of exemption	1991, the date of incorporation
Public charity status	170(b)(1)(A)(vi) — supported by contributions from the public
Contributions	Deductible under section 170
Annual filing	Form 990 or 990-EZ required each year

WHERE THE REAL THING WOULD BE

On a real site this file is the scanned letter as received, which the IRS requires a public charity to make available. The organization reports the rule; it does not advise on it.