

Dear Sargento Contribution Recipient:

Enclosed please find the requested contribution check. Note that Sargento Foods Inc. has a responsibility in preserving this donation for tax purposes, per the following IRS regulation.

IRS regulations effective January 1, 1994 require donors who give gifts of \$250 or more in cash or property obtain written substantiation of their contribution from the recipient organization <u>specifically</u> <u>stating the donation amount</u> in order to preserve the charitable deduction for tax purposes. A canceled check is no longer considered sufficient evidence of a cash contribution. The written substantiation should also note <u>whether the recipient organization provided any goods or services</u>, in whole or in part, for the contribution and, if so, provide a description <u>and good-faith estimate of the value of those goods or services</u>. The law requires charities to furnish disclosure statements to donors for such quid prop quo donations in excess of \$75.

Please complete the information below and return this letter within 30 days to *:

Sargento Foods Inc. Julie Luedtke, Senior Financial Tax Analyst One Persnickety Place, Plymouth, WI 53073

* Please note, this letter **must be** returned **only if** your organization isn't providing a formal substantiation letter printed on company letterhead that addresses **all items** found in the above-noted IRS regulation.

I am sure you can appreciate our need for this tax information. If you have any questions about this procedure, please contact Julie Luedtke either by phone at (920) 892-3416, by fax at (920) 892-6536 or by e-mail at tax@sargento.com

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely, Sargento Foods Inc.

<u>Please complete the following information:</u>

- State the name of your organization
- State the <u>check #</u> and <u>check date</u> of this donation
- State the <u>\$-amount</u> of this donation
- List any non-cash donation items you received (e.g. pounds of cheese, snacks, etc.)
- List the goods/services your organization provided_ to Sargento in exchange for this donation (e.g. event tickets, banquet table, etc.) *
 - State the total \$-value of these tickets, etc. *
- Delease sign, include the date & your phone number

* No need to list or include any advertising or signage values