

## Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

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Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)			
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above			
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification:  Individual/sole proprietor			
	Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ►  Other (see instructions) ►			
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)  Reques		ester's name and address	(optional)
	City, state, and ZIP	2 code		
	List account number(s) here (optional)			
Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)				
Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line  Social security number				
to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see <i>How to get a</i>				-
TIN on page 3.			Employer identificati	on number
<b>Note.</b> If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.			- Inprojet identificati	
Part II Certification				
Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:				
1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and				
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and				
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).				
becau interes genera instruc	se you have failed st paid, acquisitior	ons. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transaction or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you	s, item 2 does not app ndividual retirement arr	ly. For mortgage angement (IRA), and
Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person			

## **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

## **Purpose of Form**

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- 1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
  - 2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- 3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

**Note.** If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.