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## Keeping You Up-to-Date

### Current IRS Audit Triggers

The Internal Revenue Service is stepping up audits, and the list below shows some of the current “triggers” for an audit:

- Office Expenses
- Auto Expenses (contact us for a mileage log to keep track of your business miles)
- Home Office Expenses
- Schedule E—Rentals
- Schedule A—Unreimbursed expenses
- Meals & Entertainment—We suggest you attach business cards to receipts for meals and indicate date and time of meeting, purpose, and who your meal was with on the back of the card/receipt.

### Hurricane Ike Affects Taxpayers

The Internal Revenue Service has granted an extension of time for taxpayers, affected by Hurricane Ike, to file their 2007 Tax Returns, currently on extension, to January 5, 2009. Please note if you are eligible to receive a Stimulus Payment and do not file your 2007 Individual Tax Return by October 15, 2008, you will receive your Stimulus Payment as a credit on your 2008 Tax Return, filed in 2009.

For more information, visit <http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=108362,00.html>

The Texas State Comptroller's Office has granted an extension of time for taxpayers affected by Hurricane Ike. Sales and Use Tax Reports originally due September 22 (for August) and October 20 (for September), can be given a 90-day extension. With these extensions of time, your August, 2008 Sales Tax Report will be due December 22, 2008, and your September, 2008 Sales Tax Report will be due January 20, 2009. This extension is not an automatic extension, and must be requested. We have filed extensions for all our clients who requested that we submit a request for extension on their behalf. If you have any questions, please email or give us a call.

For more information, visit <http://www.window.state.tx.us/disaster/>

### End of the Year Tips

As we are moving towards the end of 2008, we would like to take this time to offer some tips to our clients:

Take time to check on your beneficiaries and/or joint owners on your banking and investment accounts, life insurance policies, safe deposit boxes, etc. Make sure all of your accounts are updated, especially after any changes including: marriage, divorce, birth and death.

For more information, visit <http://www.usics.gov>

### Tips

- 1040 Extended Due Date is October 15, 2008.
- 1040 Extended Due Date, for those affected by Hurricane Ike, is January 5, 2009.
- 2008 Third Quarter 1040 estimated tax payments were due September 15, 2008.
- 2008 Third Quarter 1040 estimated tax payments, for those affected by Hurricane Ike, are due January 5, 2009.
- 2008 Fourth Quarter 1040 estimated tax payments are due January 15, 2008.
- 2008 Extended Texas Franchise Tax is due November 17, 2008.

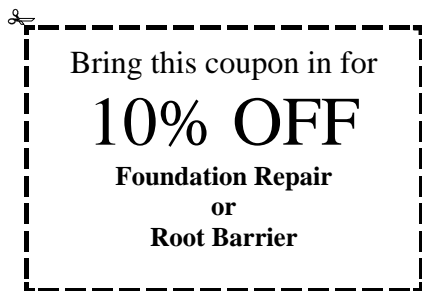
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