

October 10, 2019

Eric Hylton, Commissioner (Small Business & Self-Employed Division) Internal Revenue Service 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20224

Dear Commissioner Hylton:

On behalf of the thousands of North Carolina taxpayers and CPA practitioners impacted by Hurricane Dorian, I would like to ask for your immediate assistance in providing additional tax relief for impacted counties.

North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper's request for public assistance across 14 counties in our state was approved by President Trump on October 4, 2019. However, FEMA's denial of the Governor's request for individual assistance in affected areas was met with confusion among residents already faced with repairing considerable damage to their homes and businesses.

I have received many calls from CPAs asking for relief for the October 15th deadline because of the disruption to business services that the storm caused. These are professionals who are working diligently to ensure that they meet their obligations to their clients and comply with the deadline before them.

We are grateful for the hard work our Governor and the President have done to ensure relief reaches our state quickly. In that same spirit, I would ask for your thoughtful consideration and that the additional relief we have requested be granted.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Concerning a response to our inquiry, I would very much appreciate if you would contact me at 919-469-1040, ext. 143, or by email at shbryson@ncacpa.org.

Sincerely,

Sharon H. Bryson, M.Ed.

NCACPA Chief Executive Officer

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