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EXTENSION TO 6/15/11

Short Form

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No 1545-1150

2009

Form 990-EZ

- Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
- The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning 11/01/09, and ending 10/31/10

B Check if applicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization Chicagoland Chapter ERA		D Employer identification number 36-6169871
		Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) 111 N. Canal Street		Room/suite 885
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 Chicago IL 60606		E Telephone number 312-559-3050
				F Group Exemption Number ▶

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting method Cash Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ N/A
 J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c) (6) ◀ (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

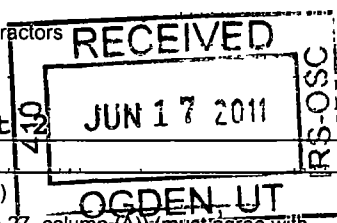
K Check if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$ 6,301

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)

SCANNED JUL 01 2011 Revenue

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	1,358
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	4,943
4	Investment income	4	
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
b	Less cost of goods sold	7b	
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
8	Other revenue (describe ▶ _____)	8	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	6,301
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	348
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
16	Other expenses (describe ▶ See Statement 3)	16	6,816
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	7,164
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-863
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	33,489
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	32,626



Part II Balance Sheets. If total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions for Part II)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	34,928	33,376
23 Land and buildings		
24 Other assets (describe ▶ See Statement 3)	1,534	365
25 Total assets	36,462	33,741
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶ See Statement 4)	2,973	1,115
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	33,489	32,626

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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attached a conformed copy of the changes		X
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instr <input type="text" value="37a"/>		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved <input type="text" value="38b"/>		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 <input type="text" value="39a"/>		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities <input type="text" value="39b"/>		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <input type="text"/> , section 4912 <input type="text"/> , section 4955 <input type="text"/>		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 <input type="text"/>		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization <input type="text"/>		
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		X

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed.

42a The organization's books are in care of Telephone no

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		Yes	No
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: <input type="text"/> See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		X
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country <input type="text"/>		X

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year

		Yes	No
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- 46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I
- 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II
- 48 Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E
- 49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?
- b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

	Yes	No
46		
47		
48		
49a		
49b		

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶ _____

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶ _____

Sign Here Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Signature of officer: *[Signature]* Date: 6-11-11

Type or print name and title: R. KINGSTON COMBS, CHAIRMAN

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: *[Signature]* Date: 6/3/11 Check if self-employed:

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: Applebaum, Herzog & Associates, P.C.
614 Academy Dr
Northbrook, IL 60062

Preparer's Identifying Number (See instr): P00143236

EIN: 36-4452534

Phone no: 847-564-1040

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ▶ Yes No

Federal Statements

FYE: 10/31/2010

Statement 1 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 3 - Membership Dues and Assessments

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Membership Dues	\$ 4,943
Total	\$ 4,943

Statement 2 - Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Expenses	\$
Other Meetings & Seminars	1,404
Management Fees	2,966
Insurance - D & O & Pkg	469
Brd Meetings & Apprec Eve	115
Donations	1,100
Web Site Exp	334
Misc Income/Expense	243
Program & Event Expense	185
Total	\$ 6,816

Statement 3 - Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24 - Other Assets

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Accounts Receivable	\$ 620	\$
Prepaid Expenses and Deferred Charges	914	365
	1,534	365

Statement 4 - Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26 - Total Liabilities

<u>Description</u>	<u>Beginning of Year</u>	<u>End of Year</u>
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 1,145	\$ 598
Accrued Expenses	1,828	517
	2,973	1,115

Statement 5 - Form 990-EZ, Part III - Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose

Description

PERIODIC CHAPTER MEETINGS ARE HELD DURING THE YEAR, AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS, WITH A DISCUSSION ON A CURRENT BUSINESS TOPIC.
THE ORGANIZATION HAS NO PERSONAL BENEFITS CONTRACTS.

Statement 6 - Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 28 - Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Description

THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE ORGNIZATION IS THE FURTHERANCE OF KNOWLEDGE OF THE MANUFACTURERS' REPRESENTATIVES MEMBERS ABOUT CURRENT ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY CONDITIONS AND SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE ROLE AND IMPORTANCE OF MANUFACTURERS REPRESENTATIVES.

Form **8868**
(Rev. January 2011)

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

OMB No 1545-1709

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I and check this box
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form).

Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for Charities & Nonprofits.

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension-check this box and complete

Part I only
All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Type or print	Name of exempt organization Chicagoland Chapter ERA	Employer identification number 36-6169871
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 111 N. Canal Street 885	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. Chicago IL 60606	

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)

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Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 990-EZ	03	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

- The books are in the care of ▶
Telephone No. ▶ _____ FAX No. ▶ _____
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until **06/15/11**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:
 ▶ calendar year or
 ▶ tax year beginning **11/01/09**, and ending **10/31/10**

2 If this tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions	3a	\$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System) See instructions	3c	\$

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions