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## Short Form

OMB No. 1545-1150

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2013

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

- Do not enter Social Security numbers on this form as it may be made public.
- Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

## A For the 2013 calendar year, or tax year beginning

, 2013, and ending

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## B Check if applicable

- Address change
- Name change
- Initial return
- Terminated
- Amended return
- Application pending

## C Name of organization

OceanElders Inc

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address)

PO Box 1374

## D Employer identification number

45-3034636

## E Telephone number

206-462-3982

## F Group Exemption

Number ►

G Accounting Method:  Cash  Accrual Other (specify) ►I Website: ► [www.oceanelders.com](http://www.oceanelders.com)J Tax-exempt status (check only one) —  501(c)(3)  501(c) ( ) (insert no.)  4947(a)(1) or  527K Form of organization:  Corporation  Trust  Association  Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets

(Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

► \$ 4125

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

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	104857.81
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	0
4	Investment income	4	0
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	0
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0
6	Gaming and fundraising events		
a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	0
b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 12175 of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	4125
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	4125
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	0.00
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	0
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	0
9	<b>Total revenue.</b> Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	104857.81
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	0
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	0
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	190
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	0
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	0
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	25453.18
17	<b>Total expenses.</b> Add lines 10 through 16	17	25643.18
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	79214.63
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	20848.07
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	0
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	100062.70

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Expenses

Net Assets

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**Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)**

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
<b>22</b>	<b>Cash, savings, and investments</b>	<b>20848.07</b>	<b>22</b> <b>100062.70</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Land and buildings</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b> <b>0</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Other assets (describe in Schedule O)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b> <b>0</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Total assets</b>	<b>20848.07</b>	<b>25</b> <b>100062.70</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b> <b>0</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)</b>	<b>20848.07</b>	<b>27</b> <b>100062.70</b>

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)**

**Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part**

### What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? To reverse declining ocean health

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

**Expenses**  
Required for section  
501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4)  
organizations and section  
547(a)(1) trusts, optional  
or others.)

28	Summit with foreign ministers to meet and discuss declining health of the ocean and propose global solutions, to no specific person's benefit, but we met with about 30 individuals.		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	19,100
29	Provided support to the office of Tony Burke, who was Minister of the Environment of Australia, with letters, emails, phone calls, and a video of some of the Ocean Elders discussing the of the importance of the Great Barrier Reef and the Coral Sea, to no individual's direct benefit.		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	100
30	Supported the ban of shark fins in Costa Rica. One Ocean Elder attended the signing of the legislation as a show of our support, to no person's direct benefit.		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	100
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O) . . . . .		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	0
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	32	19,200

**Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees** (list each one even if not compensated—see the instructions for Part IV)

**List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated).**  
**Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.**

**Part V Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O 33

34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions) 34

35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? 35a

b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O 35b

c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 35c

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 36

37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ► 37a

b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? 37b

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 tax year covered by this return? 38a

b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b

39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:

a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a

b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b

40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ► 0 ; section 4912 ► 0 ; section 4955 ► 0

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 did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I 40b

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 0

d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 0

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 40e

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► CA, NY

42a The organization's books are in care of ► Lonnie Autry, Jr. Telephone no. ► 408-835-9052  
Located at ► 4067 Santa Ana Valley Rd. Hollister, CA ZIP + 4 ► 95023

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: ► 42b   
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► 42c

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 ► 43

44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44a

b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44b

c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? 44c

d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O 44d

45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? 45a

45b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions) 45b

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

**Part VI      Section 501(c)(3) organizations only**

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47–49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

**Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI**

**Yes** **No**

47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	✓
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	✓
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	✓
b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	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 title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
<b>None</b>				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 . . . ► 0

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 business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 . . . ► 0

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A.  Yes  No

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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	 <i>Gigi Brisson</i> Signature of officer	<i>3.14.14</i> Date
	 <b>Gigi Brisson, Founder &amp; CEO</b> Type or print name and title	

▼ Type or print name and address					
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ►		Firm's EIN ►		
	Firm's address ►		Phone no.		

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

Form 990-EZ (2013)

**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No. 1545-0047

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

**2013**

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.  
► Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form990](http://www.irs.gov/form990).

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Name of the organization

OceanElders Inc

Employer identification number

45-3034636

**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status** (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 2  A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Complete Part II.)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Part II.)
- 8  A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Part II.)
- 9  An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Complete Part III.)
- 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See section 509(a)(4).
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See section 509(a)(3). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
  - a  Type I    b  Type II    c  Type III—Functionally integrated    d  Type III—Non-functionally integrated
  - e  By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
  - f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box . . . . .
  - g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
    - (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? . . . . .
    - (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? . . . . .
    - (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? . . . . .
  - h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(I) Name of supported organization	(II) EIN	(III) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(IV) Is the organization in col (I) listed in your governing document?	(V) Did you notify the organization in col (I) of your support?		(VI) Is the organization in col (I) organized in the U.S.?	(VII) Amount of monetary support
				Yes	No		
(A)							
(B)							
(C)							
(D)							
(E)							
<b>Total</b>							

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") . . . . .			61063.22	21450.00	104857.81	187371.03
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .			0	0	0	0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .			0	0	0	0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .		61063.22	21450.00	104857.81	187371.03	
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) . . . . .						114288.00
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						73083.03

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2009	(b) 2010	(c) 2011	(d) 2012	(e) 2013	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4 . . . . .			61063.22	21450.00	104857.81	187371.03
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .			0	0	0	0
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .			0	0	0	0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .			0	0	0	0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						187371.03
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) . . . . .				12		0
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2013 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) . . . . .	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2012 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . . . .	15	%
16a 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % support test—2013. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % support test—2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

## **Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

**Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.**

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**Name of the organization**

**Employer identification number**

**OceanElders Inc**

45-3034636

**990EZ.B Amended return - form 990-N (e-postcard) had been filed earlier in April 2013. It was later realized that 990EZ was required.**