

February 24, 1999

Internal Revenue Service
201 West Rivercenter Blvd.
Attn: Extracting Stop 312
Covington, KY 41011

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is an exempt organization determination letter application for the SLO Bytes PC Users Group, Employer Identification Number 77-0503939. The application package contains the following:

Form 8718 - User Fee for Exempt Organization Determination Letter Request (with application fee check)

Form 1023 - Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501 (c)(3)

Attachment with Articles of Incorporation Acknowledgment by the State of California (including Articles of Incorporation)

Attachment with Corporation Bylaws

Attachment with copy of "Hardcopy" Newsletter

Attachment with copy of Promotional Material

Attachment to Part IV, Financial Data

A. Statement of Revenue and Expenses: Line 22, Other Expenses

B. Balance Sheet at End of 1998: Line 8, Depreciable & Depletable Assets

Form 1024 - Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501 (a)
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Please contact me if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,



Guy F. Kuncir, Vice President
SLO Bytes PC Users Group
2612 Snowcone Place
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420-6549
(805) 489-1395

cc (w/o encl): T. Schock, Exempt Organization Section, California Franchise Tax Board
(Re: Entity ID: 1883222)

User Fee for Exempt Organization Determination Letter Request

▶ Attach this form to determination letter application.
(Form 8718 is NOT a determination letter application.)

For IRS Use Only

Control number _____
Amount paid _____
User fee screener _____

1 Name of organization SLO BYTES PC USERS GROUP	2 Employer Identification Number 77 0503939
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Caution: Do not attach Form 8718 to an application for a pension plan determination letter. Use Form 8717 instead.

3 Type of request

- a Initial request for a determination letter for: Fee
- An exempt organization that has had annual gross receipts averaging not more than \$10,000 during the preceding 4 years, or
 - A new organization that anticipates gross receipts averaging not more than \$10,000 during its first 4 years ▶ \$150
- Note:** If you checked box 3a, you must complete the Certification below.

I certify that the annual gross receipts of **SLO BYTES PC USERS GROUP** name of organization
have averaged (or are expected to average) not more than \$10,000 during the preceding 4 (or the first 4) years of operation.
Signature ▶ *Greg J. Kuncir* Title ▶ *Vice President*

- b Initial request for a determination letter for:
- An exempt organization that has had annual gross receipts averaging more than \$10,000 during the preceding 4 years, or
 - A new organization that anticipates gross receipts averaging more than \$10,000 during its first 4 years . ▶ \$500
- c Group exemption letters ▶ \$500

Instructions

The law requires payment of a user fee with each application for a determination letter. The user fees are listed on line 3 above. For more information, see Rev. Proc. 98-8, 1998-1, I.R.B. 225.

Check the box on line 3 for the type of application you are submitting. If you check box 3a, you must complete and sign the certification statement that appears under line 3a.

Attach to Form 8718 a check or money order payable to the Internal Revenue Service for the full amount of the user fee. If you do not include the full amount, your application will be returned. Attach Form 8718 to your determination letter application.

Send the determination letter application and Form 8718 to:
Internal Revenue Service
P.O. Box 192
Covington, KY 41012-0192

If you are using express mail or a delivery service, send the application and Form 8718 to:
Internal Revenue Service
201 West Rivercenter Blvd.
Attn: Extracting Stop 312
Covington, KY 41011

SLO BYTES PC USERS GROUP
2100 ANDRE AVENUE
LOS OSOS, CA 93402

July 19, 1999 19 1132
90-8271/3222

AY TO THE ORDER OF *Internal Revenue Service* \$ *150*⁰⁰

One hundred fifty and no/100 DOLLARS

SESLOC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
11491 Los Osos Valley Road (805) 543-1816
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

MEMO *EIN: 77-0503939* *Marvin L. Bayardale*

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Attach Check or Money Order Here

**Application for Recognition of Exemption
 Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code**

Note: If exempt status is approved, this application will be open for public inspection.

Read the instructions for each Part carefully.
A User Fee must be attached to this application.
 If the required information and appropriate documents are not submitted along with Form 8718 (with payment of the appropriate user fee), the application may be returned to you.

Complete the Procedural Checklist on page 8 of the instructions.

Part I Identification of Applicant

1a Full name of organization (as shown in organizing document) <i>SLO BYTES PC USERS GROUP</i>		2 Employer identification number (EIN) (If none, see page 3 of the Specific Instructions .) <i>77 0503939</i>
1b c/o Name (if applicable)		3 Name and telephone number of person to be contacted if additional information is needed <i>Guy Kuncir</i> <i>(805) 489-1395</i>
1c Address (number and street) <i>2612 Snowcone Place</i>	Room/Suite	4 Month the annual accounting period ends <i>December</i>
1d City, town, or post office, state, and ZIP + 4. If you have a foreign address, see Specific Instructions for Part I, page 3. <i>Arroyo Grande, CA 93420-6549</i>		5 Date incorporated or formed <i>February 1994</i>
1e Web site address <i>www.thegrid.net/slobytes/</i>		6 Check here if applying under section: a <input type="checkbox"/> 501(e) b <input type="checkbox"/> 501(f) c <input type="checkbox"/> 501(k) d <input type="checkbox"/> 501(n)
7 Did the organization previously apply for recognition of exemption under this Code section or under any other section of the Code? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," attach an explanation.		
8 Is the organization required to file Form 990 (or Form 990-EZ)? <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach an explanation (see page 3 of the Specific Instructions).		
9 Has the organization filed Federal income tax returns or exempt organization information returns? . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," state the form numbers, years filed, and Internal Revenue office where filed.		

10 Check the box for the type of organization. ATTACH A CONFORMED COPY OF THE CORRESPONDING ORGANIZING DOCUMENTS TO THE APPLICATION BEFORE MAILING. (See **Specific Instructions** for Part I, Line 10, on page 3.) See also Pub. 557 for examples of organizational documents.)

- a Corporation—Attach a copy of the Articles of Incorporation (including amendments and restatements) showing approval by the appropriate state official; also include a copy of the bylaws.
- b Trust— Attach a copy of the Trust Indenture or Agreement, including all appropriate signatures and dates.
- c Association— Attach a copy of the Articles of Association, Constitution, or other creating document, with a declaration (see instructions) or other evidence the organization was formed by adoption of the document by more than one person; also include a copy of the bylaws.

If the organization is a corporation or an unincorporated association that has not yet adopted bylaws, check here

I declare under the penalties of perjury that I am authorized to sign this application on behalf of the above organization and that I have examined this application, including the accompanying schedules and attachments, and to the best of my knowledge it is true, correct, and complete.

Please Sign Here _____ Guy F. Kuncir, Vice President 2/24/99
 (Signature) (Type or print name and title or authority of signer) (Date)

Part II Activities and Operational Information

- 1 Provide a detailed narrative description of all the activities of the organization—past, present, and planned. Do not merely refer to or repeat the language in the organizational document. List each activity separately in the order of importance based on the relative time and other resources devoted to the activity. Indicate the percentage of time for each activity. Each description should include, as a minimum, the following: (a) a detailed description of the activity including its purpose and how each activity furthers your exempt purpose; (b) when the activity was or will be initiated; and (c) where and by whom the activity will be conducted.

The principal purpose of SLO Bytes PC Users Group is to educate its members and the public at large in the use of personal computers and the attributes of computer software. These objectives are achieved through:

a) The organization's meetings and tutorials. Since its inception, the organization has held monthly meetings which are open to the public at no cost. These educational meetings are divided into two parts: In the earlier segment, approximately one hour in length, special interest groups (SIGs) explore various facets of computing and information processing. Typically, one group may be looking at the inner workings of a computer operating system, such as Microsoft Windows, while another may be examining something such as specific resources available on Internet. SIG sessions are generally tutorial in nature. A general session approximately two hours long, attended by all members and guests present, makes up the last part of each meeting. Outside speakers provide insight into particular areas such as the latest hardware/software developments, color printers, network systems, memory management systems, or automated procedures used by specific private or governmental organizations. National vendors, university faculty, local business, industry and agency personnel are recruited as meeting speakers.

b) The publication and distribution of the organization's newsletters. The monthly newsletter, published since the organization's inception, continues the organization's overall educational theme. The current year's newsletter, approximately ten pages long, provides members with reviews of new hardware/software systems, how-to articles describing computer use techniques, tutorials on various aspects of computing and Internet use activities, summaries of past meeting presentations and announcements of forthcoming meetings. Articles published in the newsletter are both written by local members and extracted from like-publications distributed by other PC User Groups throughout the state and country.

c) Member to member computer usage assistance. Members volunteer to help other members in the use of various devices, operating systems and software applications. Though an informal process until the last few years, the names and telephone numbers of these in-house experts are now routinely published in the organization's newsletter, with their hours of availability.

- 2 What are or will be the organization's sources of financial support? List in order of size.

Membership Dues

Fund Raising Raffles for specific, High Cost Equipment Purchases

Sale of Public Domain Software (shareware) and Diskettes -- a fundraising activity in the past which is no longer a viable program

- 3 Describe the organization's fundraising program, both actual and planned, and explain to what extent it has been put into effect. Include details of fundraising activities such as selective mailings, formation of fundraising committees, use of volunteers or professional fundraisers, etc. Attach representative copies of solicitations for financial support.

The largest fund raising program has been the collection of member dues. Fund raising raffles have also been employed to accumulate funds for the purchase of high cost equipment. No mailings have been involved other than the regular member newsletter (sample attached). Raffle tickets are sold by member volunteers.

Part II Activities and Operational Information (Continued)

4 Give the following information about the organization's governing body:

a Names, addresses, and titles of officers, directors, trustees, etc.

b Annual compensation

Ramatis (Ray) Miklas, President
 2460 Leone Avenue, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
 Guy Kuncir, Vice President
 2612 Snowcone Place, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420
 Marvin Baxendale, Treasurer
 543 Guante Road, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420
 Robert Ward, Secretary
 2100 Andre Avenue, Los Osos, CA 93402

None
 None
 None
 None

c Do any of the above persons serve as members of the governing body by reason of being public officials or being appointed by public officials? Yes No
 If "Yes," name those persons and explain the basis of their selection or appointment.

d Are any members of the organization's governing body "disqualified persons" with respect to the organization (other than by reason of being a member of the governing body) or do any of the members have either a business or family relationship with "disqualified persons"? (See Specific Instructions for Part II, Line 4d, on page 3.) Yes No
 If "Yes," explain.

5 Does the organization control or is it controlled by any other organization? Yes No
 Is the organization the outgrowth of (or successor to) another organization, or does it have a special relationship with another organization by reason of interlocking directorates or other factors? Yes No
 If either of these questions is answered "Yes," explain.

6 Does or will the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following transactions with any political organization or other exempt organization (other than a 501(c)(3) organization): (a) grants; (b) purchases or sales of assets; (c) rental of facilities or equipment; (d) loans or loan guarantees; (e) reimbursement arrangements; (f) performance of services, membership, or fundraising solicitations; or (g) sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists or other assets, or paid employees? Yes No
 If "Yes," explain fully and identify the other organizations involved.

7 Is the organization financially accountable to any other organization? Yes No
 If "Yes," explain and identify the other organization. Include details concerning accountability or attach copies of reports if any have been submitted.

Part II Activities and Operational Information (Continued)

8 What assets does the organization have that are used in the performance of its exempt function? (Do not include property producing investment income.) If any assets are not fully operational, explain their status, what additional steps remain to be completed, and when such final steps will be taken. If none, indicate "N/A."

Computer and bulletin board system. The bulletin board system is not operational. Its intended function is no longer required by the organization and the equipment will be sold if a buyer can be identified.

9 Will the organization be the beneficiary of tax-exempt bond financing within the next 2 years? Yes No

10a Will any of the organization's facilities or operations be managed by another organization or individual under a contractual agreement? Yes No

b Is the organization a party to any leases? Yes No

If either of these questions is answered "Yes," attach a copy of the contracts and explain the relationship between the applicant and the other parties.

11 Is the organization a membership organization? Yes No
If "Yes," complete the following:

a Describe the organization's membership requirements and attach a schedule of membership fees and dues.

Membership in SLO Bytes PC Users Group is open to everyone. Membership fees are \$25/yr.

b Describe the organization's present and proposed efforts to attract members and attach a copy of any descriptive literature or promotional material used for this purpose.

SLO Bytes attracts its potential members through the dissemination of information about the organization in the local newspapers; the organization's newsletter, web site, and promotional materials; independently prepared e-mail newsletters; and "word of mouth" recommendations.

c What benefits do (or will) the members receive in exchange for their payment of dues?

Members receive our monthly newsletter and are eligible to participate in drawings for purchased or donated hardware/software door prizes that are held at each meeting. All people attending meetings are eligible for the promotional give-a-ways that may be provided by guest speakers. No fees are collected.

12a If the organization provides benefits, services, or products, are the recipients required, or will they be required, to pay for them? N/A Yes No
If "Yes," explain how the charges are determined and attach a copy of the current fee schedule.

SLO Bytes membership fees (\$25/yr) are set to defray the costs entailed in the organization's functions, its technical meetings and newsletter. (Meetings are free to all attendees and the newsletter is distributed to members at no additional cost.) On the average, SLO Bytes is basically a break-even operation. There is no monetary profit derived from its organization.

b Does or will the organization limit its benefits, services, or products to specific individuals or classes of individuals? N/A Yes No
If "Yes," explain how the recipients or beneficiaries are or will be selected.

13 Does or will the organization attempt to influence legislation? Yes No
If "Yes," explain. Also, give an estimate of the percentage of the organization's time and funds that it devotes or plans to devote to this activity.

14 Does or will the organization intervene in any way in political campaigns, including the publication or distribution of statements? Yes No
If "Yes," explain fully.

Part III Technical Requirements

1 Are you filing Form 1023 within 15 months from the end of the month in which your organization was created or formed? Yes No
If you answer "Yes," do not answer questions on lines 2 through 6 below.

2 If one of the exceptions to the 15-month filing requirement shown below applies, check the appropriate box and proceed to question 7.

Exceptions—You are not required to file an exemption application within 15 months if the organization:

- a Is a church, interchurch organization of local units of a church, a convention or association of churches, or an integrated auxiliary of a church. See **Specific Instructions**, Line 2a, on page 4;
- b Is not a private foundation and normally has gross receipts of not more than \$5,000 in each tax year; or
- c Is a subordinate organization covered by a group exemption letter, but only if the parent or supervisory organization timely submitted a notice covering the subordinate.

3 If the organization does not meet any of the exceptions on line 2 above, are you filing Form 1023 within 27 months from the end of the month in which the organization was created or formed? Yes No

If "Yes," your organization qualifies under Regulation section 301.9100-2, for an automatic 12-month extension of the 15-month filing requirement. Do not answer questions 4 through 6.

If "No," answer question 4.

4 If you answer "No" to question 3, does the organization wish to request an extension of time to apply under the "reasonable action and good faith" and the "no prejudice to the interest of the government" requirements of Regulations section 301.9100-3? Yes No

If "Yes," give the reasons for not filing this application within the 27-month period described in question 3. See **Specific Instructions**, Part III, Line 4, before completing this item. Do not answer questions 5 and 6.

If "No," answer questions 5 and 6.

5 If you answer "No" to question 4, your organization's qualification as a section 501(c)(3) organization can be recognized only from the date this application is filed. Therefore, do you want us to consider the application as a request for recognition of exemption as a section 501(c)(3) organization from the date the application is received and not retroactively to the date the organization was created or formed? . . . Yes No

6 If you answer "Yes" to question 5 above and wish to request recognition of section 501(c)(4) status for the period beginning with the date the organization was formed and ending with the date the Form 1023 application was received (the effective date of the organization's section 501(c)(3) status), check here and attach a completed page 1 of Form 1024 to this application.

Part III Technical Requirements (Continued)

- 7 Is the organization a private foundation?
- Yes (Answer question 8.)
- No (Answer question 9 and proceed as instructed.)

- 8 If you answer "Yes" to question 7, does the organization claim to be a private operating foundation?
- Yes (Complete Schedule E.)
- No

After answering question 8 on this line, go to line 14 on page 7.

- 9 If you answer "No" to question 7, indicate the public charity classification the organization is requesting by checking the box below that most appropriately applies:

THE ORGANIZATION IS NOT A PRIVATE FOUNDATION BECAUSE IT QUALIFIES:

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| a | <input type="checkbox"/> As a church or a convention or association of churches
(CHURCHES MUST COMPLETE SCHEDULE A.) | Sections 509(a)(1)
and 170(b)(1)(A)(i) |
| b | <input type="checkbox"/> As a school (MUST COMPLETE SCHEDULE B.) | Sections 509(a)(1)
and 170(b)(1)(A)(ii) |
| c | <input type="checkbox"/> As a hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization, or a
medical research organization operated in conjunction with a
hospital (These organizations, except for hospital service
organizations, MUST COMPLETE SCHEDULE C.) | Sections 509(a)(1)
and 170(b)(1)(A)(iii) |
| d | <input type="checkbox"/> As a governmental unit described in section 170(c)(1). | Sections 509(a)(1)
and 170(b)(1)(A)(v) |
| e | <input type="checkbox"/> As being operated solely for the benefit of, or in connection with,
one or more of the organizations described in a through d, g, h, or i
(MUST COMPLETE SCHEDULE D.) | Section 509(a)(3) |
| f | <input type="checkbox"/> As being organized and operated exclusively for testing for public
safety. | Section 509(a)(4) |
| g | <input type="checkbox"/> As being operated for the benefit of a college or university that is
owned or operated by a governmental unit. | Sections 509(a)(1)
and 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) |
| h | <input type="checkbox"/> As receiving a substantial part of its support in the form of
contributions from publicly supported organizations, from a
governmental unit, or from the general public. | Sections 509(a)(1)
and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) |
| i | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As normally receiving not more than one-third of its support from
gross investment income and more than one-third of its support from
contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities
related to its exempt functions (subject to certain exceptions). | Section 509(a)(2) |
| j | <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is a publicly supported organization but is not sure
whether it meets the public support test of h or i. The organization
would like the IRS to decide the proper classification. | Sections 509(a)(1)
and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
or Section 509(a)(2) |

If you checked one of the boxes a through f in question 9, go to question
14. If you checked box g in question 9, go to questions 11 and 12.
If you checked box h, i, or j, in question 9, go to question 10.

Part III Technical Requirements (Continued)

- 10 If you checked box h, i, or j in question 9, has the organization completed a tax year of at least 8 months?
 Yes—Indicate whether you are requesting:
 A definitive ruling. (Answer questions 11 through 14.)
 An advance ruling. (Answer questions 11 and 14 and attach two Forms 872-C completed and signed.)
 No—You must request an advance ruling by completing and signing two Forms 872-C and attaching them to the Form 1023.

- 11 If the organization received any unusual grants during any of the tax years shown in Part IV-A, **Statement of Revenue and Expenses**, attach a list for each year showing the name of the contributor; the date and the amount of the grant; and a brief description of the nature of the grant.

N/A

- 12 If you are requesting a definitive ruling under section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) or (vi), check here and:

- a Enter 2% of line 8, column (e), Total, of Part IV-A
 b Attach a list showing the name and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or "publicly supported" organization) whose total gifts, grants, contributions, etc., were more than the amount entered on line 12a above.

- 13 If you are requesting a definitive ruling under section 509(a)(2), check here and:

- a For each of the years included on lines 1, 2, and 9 of Part IV-A, attach a list showing the name of and amount received from each "disqualified person." (For a definition of "disqualified person," see **Specific Instructions**, Part II, Line 4d, on page 3.) *None received*
 b For each of the years included on line 9 of Part IV-A, attach a list showing the name of and amount received from each payer (other than a "disqualified person") whose payments to the organization were more than \$5,000. For this purpose, "payer" includes, but is not limited to, any organization described in sections 170(b)(1)(A)(i) through (vi) and any governmental agency or bureau. *None received*

- 14 Indicate if your organization is one of the following. If so, complete the required schedule. (Submit only those schedules that apply to your organization. **Do not submit blank schedules.**)

	Yes	No	If "Yes," complete Schedule:
Is the organization a church?		✓	A
Is the organization, or any part of it, a school?		✓	B
Is the organization, or any part of it, a hospital or medical research organization?		✓	C
Is the organization a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization?		✓	D
Is the organization a private operating foundation?		✓	E
Is the organization, or any part of it, a home for the aged or handicapped?		✓	F
Is the organization, or any part of it, a child care organization?		✓	G
Does the organization provide or administer any scholarship benefits, student aid, etc.?		✓	H
Has the organization taken over, or will it take over, the facilities of a "for profit" institution? . . .		✓	I

Part IV Financial Data

Complete the financial statements for the current year and for each of the 3 years immediately before it. If in existence less than 4 years, complete the statements for each year in existence. If in existence less than 1 year, also provide proposed budgets for the 2 years following the current year.

A. Statement of Revenue and Expenses

	Current tax year	3 prior tax years or proposed budget for 2 years			(e) TOTAL
	(a) From 1/1/98 to 12/31/98	(b) 1997	(c) 1996	(d) 1995	
Revenue					
1 Gifts, grants, and contributions received (not including unusual grants—see page 6 of the instructions)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
2 Membership fees received	3916.37	4978.62	5525.00	6075.00	20494.99
3 Gross investment income (see instructions for definition)	90.60	48.28	22.79	33.72	195.39
4 Net income from organization's unrelated business activities not included on line 3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5 Tax revenues levied for and either paid to or spent on behalf of the organization	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6 Value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge (not including the value of services or facilities generally furnished the public without charge)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7 Other income (not including gain or loss from sale of capital assets) (attach schedule)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8 Total (add lines 1 through 7)	4006.97	5026.90	5547.79	6108.72	20690.38
9 Gross receipts from admissions, sales of merchandise or services, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is not an unrelated business within the meaning of section 513. Include related cost of sales on line 22	Stoneware and Diskettes 0.00	50.55	381.20	448.00	869.75
	Projector 775.00	Fund Raising Raffle 1552.00	350.00	0.00	2703.00
10 Total (add lines 8 and 9)	4781.97	6629.45	6278.99	6556.72	24263.13
11 Gain or loss from sale of capital assets (attach schedule)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12 Unusual grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13 Total revenue (add lines 10 through 12)	4781.97	6629.45	6278.99	6556.72	24263.13
Expenses					
14 Fundraising expenses	214.49	358.16	152.03	0.00	
15 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
16 Disbursements to or for benefit of members (attach schedule)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
17 Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (attach schedule)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
18 Other salaries and wages	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
19 Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
20 Occupancy (rent, utilities, etc.)	825.00	375.00	725.00	957.00	
21 Depreciation and depletion	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
22 Other (attach schedule)	3487.24	3588.12	5718.46	5344.94	
23 Total expenses (add lines 14 through 22)	4476.73	4321.28	6595.49	6301.94	
24 Excess of revenue over expenses (line 13 minus line 23)	305.24	1308.17	(316.50)	254.78	

Part IV Financial Data (Continued)

B. Balance Sheet (at the end of the period shown)

Current tax year
Date 1998

Assets		
1	Cash	8 3812 .10
2	Accounts receivable, net	0.00
3	Inventories	0.00
4	Bonds and notes receivable (attach schedule)	0.00
5	Corporate stocks (attach schedule)	0.00
6	Mortgage loans (attach schedule)	0.00
7	Other investments (attach schedule)	0.00
8	Depreciable and depletable assets (attach schedule)	725.00
9	Land	0.00
10	Other assets (attach schedule)	0.00
11	Total assets (add lines 1 through 10)	4537.10
Liabilities		
12	Accounts payable	0.00
13	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., payable	0.00
14	Mortgages and notes payable (attach schedule)	0.00
15	Other liabilities (attach schedule)	0.00
16	Total liabilities (add lines 12 through 15)	0.00
Fund Balances or Net Assets		
17	Total fund balances or net assets	4537.10
18	Total liabilities and fund balances or net assets (add line 16 and line 17)	4537.10

If there has been any substantial change in any aspect of the organization's financial activities since the end of the period shown above, check the box and attach a detailed explanation

Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(a)

If exempt status is approved, this application will be open for public inspection.

Read the instructions for each Part carefully. **A User Fee must be attached to this application.**
 If the required information and appropriate documents are not submitted along with Form 8718 (with payment of the appropriate user fee), the application may be returned to the organization.

Complete the Procedural Checklist on page 6 of the instructions.

Part I. Identification of Applicant (Must be completed by all applicants; also complete appropriate schedule.)
 Submit only the schedule that applies to your organization. Do not submit blank schedules.

Check the appropriate box below to indicate the section under which the organization is applying:

- a Section 501(c)(2)—Title holding corporations (Schedule A, page 7)
- b Section 501(c)(4)—Civic leagues, social welfare organizations (including certain war veterans' organizations), or local associations of employees (Schedule B, page 8)
- c Section 501(c)(5)—Labor, agricultural, or horticultural organizations (Schedule C, page 9)
- d Section 501(c)(6)—Business leagues, chambers of commerce, etc. (Schedule C, page 9)
- e Section 501(c)(7)—Social clubs (Schedule D, page 11)
- f Section 501(c)(8)—Fraternal beneficiary societies, etc., providing life, sick, accident, or other benefits to members (Schedule E, page 13)
- g Section 501(c)(9)—Voluntary employees' beneficiary associations (Parts I through IV and Schedule F, page 14)
- h Section 501(c)(10)—Domestic fraternal societies, orders, etc., not providing life, sick, accident, or other benefits (Schedule E, page 13)
- i Section 501(c)(12)—Benevolent life insurance associations, mutual ditch or irrigation companies, mutual or cooperative telephone companies, or like organizations (Schedule G, page 15)
- j Section 501(c)(13)—Cemeteries, crematoria, and like corporations (Schedule H, page 16)
- k Section 501(c)(15)—Mutual insurance companies or associations, other than life or marine (Schedule I, page 17)
- l Section 501(c)(17)—Trusts providing for the payment of supplemental unemployment compensation benefits (Parts I through IV and Schedule J, page 18)
- m Section 501(c)(19)—A post, organization, auxiliary unit, etc., of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States (Schedule K, page 19)
- n Section 501(c)(25)—Title holding corporations or trusts (Schedule A, page 7)

1a Full name of organization (as shown in organizing document) <i>SL0 BYTES PC USERS GROUP</i>	2 Employer identification number (EIN) (if none, see Specific Instructions on page 2) <i>77 0503939</i>		
1b c/o Name (if applicable)	3 Name and telephone number of person to be contacted if additional information is needed <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;"><i>Guy Kuncir</i></div> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;"><i>(805) 489-1395</i></div>		
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 If "Yes," attach an explanation.
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 If "Yes," state the form numbers, years filed, and Internal Revenue office where filed.

- 8** Check the box for the type of organization. ATTACH A CONFORMED COPY OF THE CORRESPONDING ORGANIZING DOCUMENTS TO THE APPLICATION BEFORE MAILING.
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 - c Association— Attach a copy of the Articles of Association, Constitution, or other creating document, with a declaration (see instructions) or other evidence that the organization was formed by adoption of the document by more than one person. Also include a copy of the bylaws.

If this is a corporation or an unincorporated association that has not yet adopted bylaws, check here

I declare under the penalties of perjury that I am authorized to sign this application on behalf of the above organization, and that I have examined this application, including the accompanying schedules and attachments, and to the best of my knowledge it is true, correct, and complete.

PLEASE SIGN HERE *Guy F. Kuncir* *Guy F. Kuncir, Vice President* *2/24/99*

(Signature) (Type or print name and title or authority of signer) (Date)