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IRS e-file Signature Authorization for Form 1120-F

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For calendar year 2018, or tax year beginning ______, 2018, ending _____, 20 ____.

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Future Developments

For the latest information about developments related to Form 8879-I and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, visit www.irs.gov/Form8879I.

Purpose of Form

A corporate officer and an electronic return originator (ERO) use Form 8879-I when the corporate officer wants to use a personal identification number (PIN) to electronically sign a corporation's electronic income tax return and, if applicable, consent to electronic funds withdrawal. A corporate officer who does not use Form 8879-I must use Form 8453-I, Foreign Corporation Income Tax Declaration for an IRS *e-file* Return. For more information, see the instructions for Form 8453-I.

Do not send this form to the IRS. The ERO must retain Form 8879-I.

ERO Responsibilities

The ERO will:

- Enter the name and employer identification number of the corporation at the top of the form;
- Complete Part I using the amounts (zeros may be entered when appropriate) from the corporation's 2018 income tax return;
- Enter on the authorization line in Part II the ERO firm name (not the name of the individual preparing the return) if the ERO is authorized to enter the officer's PIN;
- Give the officer Form 8879-I for completion and review (acceptable delivery methods include hand delivery, U.S. mail, private delivery service, email, Internet website, and fax); and
- Complete Part III including a signature and date.



The ERO must receive the completed and signed Form 8879-I from the officer before the electronic return is

transmitted (or released for transmission).

Officer Responsibilities

The corporate officer will:

- Verify the accuracy of the corporation's income tax return;
- Check the appropriate box in Part II to either authorize the ERO to enter the officer's PIN or to choose to enter it in person;
- Indicate or verify his or her PIN when authorizing the ERO to enter it (the PIN must be *five* digits other than all zeros);
- Sign, date, and enter his or her title in Part II; and
- Return the completed Form 8879-I to the ERO. The acceptable delivery methods include hand delivery, U.S. mail, private delivery service, email, Internet website, and fax.

The corporation's return will not be transmitted to the IRS until the ERO receives the officer's signed Form 8879-I.

Important Notes for EROs

- Do not send Form 8879-I to the IRS unless requested to do so. Retain the completed Form 8879-I for 3 years from the return due date or IRS received date, whichever is later. Form 8879-I can be retained electronically in accordance with the recordkeeping guidelines in Rev. Proc. 97-22, which is on page 9 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 1997-13 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb97-13.pdf.
- Enter the corporate officer's PIN on the input screen only if the corporate officer has authorized you to do so.
- Provide the officer with a copy of the signed Form 8879-I upon request.
- Provide the officer with a corrected copy of the Form 8879-I if changes are made to the return (for example, based on the officer's review).
- See Pub. 4163, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers for Business Returns, for more information.

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