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ARIZONA CORPORATE TAX RULING CTR 98-1

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<u>ISSUE</u>:

Does Arizona recognize the transactions reported on the federal return between a corporation and its affiliated Foreign Sales Corporation (FSC) when computing Arizona taxable income of the corporation?

APPLICABLE LAW:

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 43-1101.2 provides that Arizona taxable income is federal taxable income adjusted by the modifications in article 3 of chapter 11.

A.R.S. §§ 43-1121 and 43-1122 provide for modification of federal taxable income when computing Arizona taxable income.

DISCUSSION:

Although A.R.S. § 43-1121.5 provides a specific addition to Arizona gross income to modify the effect of transactions between a corporation and a Domestic International Sales Corporation (DISC), the legislature has provided no modification for similar transactions involving a Foreign Sales Corporation (FSC). Therefore, those FSC transactions included in federal taxable income are not subject to modification when computing Arizona taxable income.

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RULING:

Arizona will not make adjustments to the transactions between a corporation and a valid affiliated Foreign Sales Corporation (FSC) when computing Arizona taxable income if those transactions meet the applicable federal requirements.

Mark W. Killian, Director

Signed: April 20, 1998

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