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2001 as if it consisted of two separate taxable years for all affected shareholders for the purposes set forth in \$1.1377-1(b)(3)(i).

(ii) On June 30, 2001, B and C, pursuant to the ordering rules of paragraph (f)(1) of this section, increase the basis of each share by  $60 \ ($6,000/100 \text{ shares})$  for the nonseparately computed income. Then B and C reduce the basis of each share by \$120 (\$12,000/100 \text{ shares}) for the distribution. Finally, B and C decrease the basis of each share by \$40 (\$4,000/ 100 \text{ shares}) for the separately stated deduction item.

(iii) The basis of the stock of B is reduced from \$120 to \$20 per share (\$120 + \$60 - \$120 \$40). Prior to accounting for the separately stated deduction item, the basis of the stock of C is reduced from \$80 to \$20 (\$80 + \$60 \$120). Finally, because the period from January 1 through June 30, 2001 is treated under §1.1377-1(b)(3)(i) as a separate taxable year for purposes of making adjustments to the basis of stock, under section 1366(d) and §1.1366-2(a)(2), C may deduct only \$20 per share of the remaining \$40 of the separately stated deduction item, and the basis of the stock of C is reduced from \$20 per share to \$0 per share. Under section 1366 and §1.1366-2(a)(2), C's remaining separately stated deduction item of \$20 per share is treated as having been incurred in the first succeeding taxable year of Corporation S, which, for this purpose, begins on July 1, 2001.

#### (i) [Reserved]

(j) Adjustments for items of income in respect of a decedent. The basis determined under section 1014 of any stock in an S corporation is reduced by the portion of the value of the stock that is attributable to items constituting income in respect of a decedent. For the determination of items realized by an S corporation constituting income in respect of a decedent, see sections 1367(b)(4)(A) and 691 and applicable regulations thereunder. For the determination of the allowance of a deduction for the amount of estate tax attributable to income in respect of a decedent, see section 691(c) and applicable regulations thereunder.

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#### §1.1367-2 Adjustments to basis of indebtedness to shareholder.

(a) In general. This section provides rules relating to adjustments required by subchapter S to the basis of indebtedness of an S corporation to a shareholder. For purposes of this section,

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shareholder advances not evidenced by separate written instruments and repayments on the advances (*open account debt*) are treated as a single indebtedness. The basis of indebtedness of the S corporation to a shareholder is reduced as provided in paragraph (b) of this section and restored as provided in paragraph (c) of this section.

(b) Reduction in basis of indebtedness— (1) General rule. If, after making the adjustments required by section 1367(a)(1)for any taxable year of the S corporation, the amounts specified in section 1367(a)(2) (B), (C), (D), and (E) (relating to losses, deductions, noncapital, nondeductible expenses, and certain oil and gas depletion deductions) exceed the basis of a shareholder's stock in the corporation, the excess is applied to reduce (but not below zero) the basis of any indebtedness of the S corporation to the shareholder held by the shareholder at the close of the corporation's taxable year. Any such indebtedness that has been satisfied by the corporation, or disposed of or forgiven by the shareholder, during the taxable year, is not held by the shareholder at the close of that year and is not subject to basis reduction.

(2) Termination of shareholder's interest in corporation during taxable year. If a shareholder terminates his or her interest in the corporation during the taxable year, the rules of this paragraph (b) are applied with respect to any indebtedness of the S corporation held by the shareholder immediately prior to the termination of the shareholder's interest in the corporation.

(3) Multiple indebtedness. If a shareholder holds more than one indebtedness at the close of the corporation's taxable year or, if applicable, immediately prior to the termination of the shareholder's interest in the corporation, the reduction in basis is applied to each indebtedness in the same proportion that the basis of each indebtedness bears to the aggregate bases of the indebtedness to the shareholder.

(c) Restoration of basis—(1) General rule. If, for any taxable year of an S corporation beginning after December 31, 1982, there has been a reduction in the basis of an indebtedness of the S corporation to a shareholder under section 1367(b)(2)(A), any net increase in

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any subsequent taxable year of the corporation is applied to restore that reduction. For purposes of this section, net increase with respect to a shareholder means the amount by which the shareholder's pro rata share of the items described in section 1367(a)(1) (relating to income items and excess deduction for depletion) exceed the items described in section 1367(a)(2) (relating to losses, deductions, noncapital, nondeductible expenses, certain oil and gas depletion deductions, and certain distributions) for the taxable year. These restoration rules apply only to indebtedness held by a shareholder as of the beginning of the taxable year in which the net increase arises. The reduction in basis of indebtedness must be restored before any net increase is applied to restore the basis of a shareholder's stock in an S corporation. In no event may the shareholder's basis of indebtedness be restored above the adjusted basis of the indebtedness under section 1016(a), excluding any adjustments under section 1016(a)(17) for prior taxable years, determined as of the beginning of the taxable year in which the net increase arises.

(2) Multiple indebtedness. If a shareholder holds more than one indebtedness as of the beginning of a corporation's taxable year, any net increase is applied first to restore the reduction of basis in any indebtedness repaid (in whole or in part) in that taxable year to the extent necessary to offset any gain that would otherwise be realized on the repayment. Any remaining net increase is applied to restore each outstanding indebtedness in proportion to the amount that the basis of each outstanding indebtedness has been reduced under section 1367(b)(2)(A) and paragraph (b) of this section and not restored under section 1367(b)(2)(B) and this paragraph (c).

(d) Time at which adjustments to basis of indebtedness are effective—(1) In general. The amounts of the adjustments to basis of indebtedness provided in section 1367(b)(2) and this section are determined as of the close of the corporation's taxable year, and the adjustments are generally effective as of the close of the corporation's taxable year. However, if the shareholder is not a shareholder in the corporation at that time, these adjustments are effective immediately before the shareholder terminates his or her interest in the corporation. If a debt is disposed of or repaid in whole or in part before the close of the taxable year, the basis of that indebtedness is restored under paragraph (c) of this section, effective immediately before the disposition or the first repayment on the debt during the taxable year.

(2) Effect of election under section 1377(a)(2) or \$1.1368-1(g)(2). If an election is made under section 1377(a)(2) (to terminate the year in the case of the termination of a shareholder's interest) or under \$1.1368-1(g)(2) (to terminate the year in the case of a qualifying disposition), this paragraph (d) applies as if the taxable years, the first of which ends at the close of the day on which the shareholder either terminates his or her interest in the corporation or disposes of a substantial amount of stock, whichever the case may be.

(e) *Examples*. The following examples illustrate the principles of §1.1367-2. In each example, the corporation is a calendar year S corporation. The lending transactions described in the examples do not result in foregone interest (within the meaning of section 7872(e)(2)), original issue discount (within the meaning of section 1273), or total unstated interest (within the meaning of section 483(b)).

Example 1. Reduction in basis of indebtedness. (i) A has been the sole shareholder in Corporation S since 1992. In 1993, A loans S \$1,000 (Debt No. 1), which is evidenced by a tenvear promissory note in the face amount of \$1,000. In 1996, A loans S \$5,000 (Debt No. 2), which is evidenced by a demand promissory note. On December 31, 1996, the basis of A's stock is zero: the basis of Debt No. 1 has been reduced under paragraph (b) of this section to \$0; and the basis of Debt No. 2 has been reduced to \$1,000. On January 1, 1997, A loans S \$4,000 (Debt No. 3), which is evidenced by a demand promissory note. For S's 1997 taxable year, the sum of the amounts specified in section 1367(a)(1) (in this case, nonseparately computed income and the excess deduction for depletion) is \$6,000, and the sum of the amounts specified in section 1367(a)(2)(B), (D), and (E) (in this case, items of separately stated deductions and losses, noncapital, nondeductible expenses, and certain oil and gas depletion deductions-there is no

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nonseparately computed loss) is \$10,000. Corporation S makes no payments to A on any of the loans during 1997.

(ii) The \$4,000 excess of loss and deduction items is applied to reduce the basis of each indebtedness in proportion to the basis of that indebtedness over the aggregate bases of the indebtedness to the shareholder (determined immediately before any adjustment under section 1367(b)(2)(A) and para-

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graph (b) of this section is effective for the taxable year). Thus, the basis of Debt No. 2 is reduced in an amount equal to \$00 (\$4,000 (excess) \$1,000 (basis of Debt No. 2) (\$5,000 (total basis of all debt)). Similarly, the basis in Debt No. 3 is reduced in an amount equal to \$3,200 (\$4,000 \$4,000 \$5,000). Accordingly, on December 31, 1997, A's basis in his stock is zero and his bases in the three debts are as follows:

Debt	1/1/96	12/31/96	1/1/97	12/31/97	1/1/98
	basis	reduction	basis	reduction	basis
No. 1	\$1,000 5,000	\$1,000 4,000	\$0 1,000 4,000	\$0 800 3,200	\$0 200 800

Example 2. Restoration of basis of indebtedness. (i) The facts are the same as in Example I. On July 1, 1998, S completely repays Debt No. 3, and, for S's 1998 taxable year, the net increase (within the meaning of paragraph (c) of this section) with respect to A equals \$4,500.

(ii) The net increase is applied first to restore the bases in the debts held on January 1, 1998, before any of the net increase is applied to increase A's basis in his shares of S stock. The net increase is applied to restore first the reduction of basis in indebtedness repaid in 1998. Any remaining net increase is applied to restore the bases of the outstanding debts in proportion to the amount that each of these outstanding debts have been reduced previously under paragraph (b) of this section and have not been restored. As of December 31, 1998, the total reduction in A's debts held on January 1, 1998 equals \$9,000. Thus, the basis of Debt No. 3 is restored by \$3,200 (the amount of the previous reduction) to \$4,000. A's basis in Debt No. 3 is treated as restored immediately before that debt is repaid. Accordingly, A does not realize any gain on the repayment. The remaining net increase of \$1,300 (\$4,500-\$3,200) is applied to restore the bases of Debt No. 1 and Debt No. 2. As of December 31, 1998, the total reduction in these outstanding debts is \$5,800 (\$9,000-\$3,200). The basis of Debt No. 1 is restored in an amount equal to \$224 (\$1,300×\$1,000/\$5,800). Similarly, the basis in Debt No. 2 is restored in an amount equal to \$1,076 (\$1,300×\$4,800/\$5,800). On December 31, 1998, A's basis in his S stock is zero and his bases in the two remaining debts are as follows:

Original basis	Amount	1/1/98	Amount	12/31/98
	reduced	basis	restored	basis
\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$224	\$224
5,000	4,800	200	1,076	1,276

Example 3. Full restoration of basis in indebtedness when debt is repaid in part during the taxable year. (i) C has been a shareholder in Corporation S since 1992. In 1997, C loans S \$1,000. S issues its note to C in the amount of \$1,000. of which \$950 is payable on March 1, 1998, and \$50 is payable on March 1, 1999. On December 31, 1997, C's basis in all her shares of S stock is zero and her basis in the note has been reduced under paragraph (b) of this section to \$900. For 1998, the net increase (within the meaning of paragraph (c) of this section) with respect to C is \$300.

(ii) Because C's basis of indebtedness was reduced in a prior taxable year under §1.1367-2(b), the net increase for 1998 is applied to restore this reduction. The restored basis cannot exceed the adjusted basis of the debt as of the beginning of the first day of 1998, excluding prior adjustments under section 1367, or \$1,000. Therefore, \$100 of the \$300 net increase is applied to restore the basis of the debt from \$900 to \$1,000 effective immediately before the repayment on March 1, 1998. The remaining net increase of \$200 increases C's basis in her stock.

Example 4. Determination of net increasedistribution in excess of increase in basis. (i) D has been the sole shareholder in Corporation S since 1990. On January 1, 1996, D loans S \$10,000 in return for a note from S in the amount of \$10,000 of which \$5,000 is payable on each of January 1, 2000, and January 1, 2001. On December 31, 1997, the basis of D's shares of S stock is zero, and his basis in the note has been reduced under paragraph (b) of this section to \$8,000. During 1998, the sum of the items under section 1367(a)(1) (relating to increases in basis of stock) with respect to D equals \$10,000 (in this case, nonseparately computed income), and the sum of the items under section 1367(a)(2)(B), (C), (D), and (E) (relating to decreases in basis of stock) with respect to D equals \$0. During 1998, S also makes distributions to D totaling \$11,000. This distribution is an item that reduces basis of stock under section 1367(a)(2)(A) and must be taken into account for purposes of determining whether there is a net increase for the taxable year. Thus, for 1998, there is no net increase with respect to D because the

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amount of the items provided in section 1367(a)(1) do not exceed the amount of the items provided in section 1367(a)(2).

(ii) Because there is no net increase with respect to D for 1998, none of the 1997 reduction in D's basis in the indebtedness is restored. The \$10,000 increase in basis under section 1367(a)(1) is applied to increase D's basis in his S stock. Under section 1367(a)(2)(A), the \$11,000 distribution with respect to D's stock reduces D's basis in his shares of S stock to \$0. See section 1368 and \$1.1368-1 (c) and (d) for the tax treatment of the \$1,000 distribution in excess of D's basis.

Example 5. Distributions less than increase in basis. (i) The facts are the same as in Example 4, except that in 1998 S makes distributions to D totaling \$8,000. On these facts, for 1998, there is a net increase with respect to D of \$2,000 (the amount by which the items provided in section  $1367(a)(1) \exp(a)(2)$ ).

(ii) Because there is a net increase of \$2,000 with respect to D for 1998, \$2,000 of the \$10,000 increase in basis under section 1367(a)(1) is first applied to restore D's basis in the indebtedness to \$10,000 (\$8,000 + \$2,000). Accordingly, on December 31, 1998, D has a basis in his shares of S stock of  $$0 ($0 + $8,000 (increase in basis remaining after restoring basis in indebtedness)<math>\implies$  \$8,000 (distribution)) and a basis in the note of \$10,000.

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# §1.1367–3 Effective date and transition rule.

Except for §1.1367-1(f), (h) Example 2 and *Example 5*, and (j), §§1.1367-1 and 1.1367-2 apply to taxable years of the corporation beginning on or after January 1, 1994. Section 1.1367-1(f), (h) Example 2 and Example 5, and (j) apply only to taxable years of the corporation beginning on or after August 18, 1998. For taxable years beginning before January 1, 1994, and taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, and before August 18, 1998, the basis of a shareholder's stock must be determined in a reasonable manner, taking into account the statute and legislative history. Except for §1.1367-1(f), (h) *Example 2* and *Example 5*, and (j), return positions consistent with §§1.1367-1 and 1.1367-2 are reasonable for taxable years beginning before January 1, 1994. Return positions consistent with 1.1367-1(f), (h) Example 2 and Example 5, and (j) are reasonable for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, and before August 18, 1998.

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