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RE: K4 Invoice

1 message

Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com>

Fri, Sep 9, 2022 at 4:40 PM

To: "erik@empowerdigital.com" <erik@empowerdigital.com>

Problem fixed. Made me feel better because I was afraid that he was going to just plug something in, but the problem was worse than that.

Like I told him, I will be billing Empower for what I am doing for it, so make sure Empower bills me for what it did for me.

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From: Erik Hopkins <erik.hopkins@empowerdigital.com>**Sent:** Friday, September 9, 2022 3:24 PM**To:** Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com>**Subject:** Re: K4 Invoice

Hi Matt:

Andrew can stop by in the next 1/2 hour or so if that works for you to troubleshoot your phone. Confirming, your address is [7565 SW Hermoso Way](#), correct?

Let's use \$2,500 for inventory. That is likely pretty accurate.

Erik

On Fri, Sep 9, 2022 at 3:19 PM Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com> wrote:

I am sure they are analog, but I don't know.

I can finish the Empower returns this weekend if you give me an Inventory number. Should we adjust it from the \$2,500.00? That is the amount we have used for the last two years.

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From: Erik Hopkins <erik.hopkins@empowerdigital.com>
Sent: Friday, September 9, 2022 3:15 PM
To: Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com>
Subject: Re: K4 Invoice

Hi Matt:

I have a call into Andrew to see when I can get him out there to take a look. Do you know if your phones are analog or IP? I am assuming analog since the other phone experienced the same issue. At any rate, I'll get back to you when I hear back from Andrew.

Erik

On Fri, Sep 9, 2022 at 2:54 PM Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com> wrote:

I already tried to put a different phone in my office, and it did the same thing, so the problem is not the phone. I have been trying to figure out how the lines run to the two phones, but me and technology like that are not good friends. It seems like there is a line coming from my phone that is not plugged into anything, so I tried to trace the line on the reception phone to see what it is plugged into, but I was not successful due to all the computer cables, etc. that are behind that desk.

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From: Erik Hopkins <erik.hopkins@empowerdigital.com>
Sent: Friday, September 9, 2022 2:46 PM
To: Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com>
Subject: Re: K4 Invoice

Hi Matt:

I am attempting to figure out where the problem lies. It is likely either your phone or the cable. Can you plug your phone in at the Reception office and the Reception phone into your office, then call from a cell phone to see what works? That will really help us figure out next steps. I'll stand by to hear back from you.

Erik

On Fri, Sep 9, 2022 at 2:31 PM Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com> wrote:

I guess I have an issue that I need Empower's help with. The phone in my office no longer receives calls on line 1. I can call out on line 2. This is limited to my office. Reception phone works fine. I called Comcast, and they said it was some hub that was not their responsibility. Empower did the installation. Is that something you can help with? I need my phone to work.

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From: Erik Hopkins <erik.hopkins@empowerdigital.com>
Sent: Friday, September 9, 2022 1:36 PM
To: Matt Keller <matt@kellertax.com>
Subject: Fwd: K4 Invoice

Hi Matt:

I sent an email to Patrick citing that we need a W-9. My email and his response are below. While I cited your response to me, I did not include the part about being complicit in his noncompliance. Any suggestions? While I am not trying to make a "mountain out of a mole hill", I am not going to put Empower or myself personally in a liability position. Let me know what you think. Thanks!

Erik

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Cabo Customs** <patrick@cabocustoms.com>

Date: Fri, Sep 9, 2022 at 1:00 PM

Subject: Re: K4 Invoice

To: Erik Hopkins <erik@empowerdigital.com>

My comoany is in mexico, I can have the bill come from Jerry Koch. The money is going to my parents directly for the kids expenses.

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On Fri, Sep 9, 2022, 11:49 AM Erik Hopkins <erik.hopkins@empowerdigital.com> wrote:

Hi Patrick:

Sorry it has taken so long to get back to you. I asked Matt Keller (our CPA) how to deal with this payment. His response was:

" I am a little concerned about the payment for Patrick. If his new company is not a corporation, it needs a 1099. It does not matter if you make the payment to Jerry. If we deduct it, a 1099 is required unless it is a corporation. You would need that W-9 in order to send the 1099."

If you don't have a Federal Tax ID Number for K4, could you complete the W-9 with your social security number?

Erik

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