



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Center for Veterans Enterprise
Washington DC 20420

Mr. Matt Ross
Eco-\$mart, Incorporated
4411 Bee Ridge Rd. #344
Sarasota, FL 34233

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Dear Mr. Ross:

Congratulations! On behalf of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the Center for Veterans Enterprise (CVE), I am writing to inform you that your service-disabled Veteran-owned small business has been verified and added to the verified Veteran business database at www.VetBiz.gov.

Your business will be eligible to participate in Veterans First Contracting Program opportunities with VA. This verification is valid for up to one year from the date of this letter.

You are a founding member of this historic moment in the history of Veterans' small business ownership! Our goal is to establish a strong Veterans' movement by branding your status as a verified service-disabled Veteran-owned small business. To further promote your verified status, I have enclosed a specially designed lapel pin for you to wear with pride. Please wear it at all of your business functions. You may also use the following logo link to download the logo for use on your marketing materials and business cards: http://www.vetbiz.gov/cve_completed_s.jpg.

If you would like additional lapel pins for members of your staff, please visit www.VetBiz.gov for instructions on how you may order additional pins.

Thank you for your service to our country and for continuing to serve America through small business ownership. It is our honor to support "Veterans in Business – Still Serving America!"

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lance Pae", is written over a white background.

Lance Pae
Verification Program Manager

Enclosure



**Department of
Veterans Affairs**

PO BOX 1437
ST PETERSBURG FL 33731

December 20, 2008

Veteran's Name:

ROSS, MATTHEW, DOUGLAS

MATTHEW D ROSS
5523 BENT OAK DR
SARASOTA FL 34232

This letter is a summary of the benefits you receive from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). This is an important record that you should safeguard. You should use this letter as verification of your veteran status when seeking benefits from state or local agencies. This letter replaces all correspondence you may have previously received for that purpose.

Personal Claim Information:

The claim number shown on our records is: 292 44 6995

The payee number shown on our records is: 00

Military Information:

The character(s) of discharge and service date(s) shown on our records is:

Honorable, 05-MAY-1984 - 30-OCT-1988

Do our records show that you are a former POW: N/A

VA Benefits Information:

Service connected disability is shown in our records: YES

The combined service connection evaluation shown in our records is: 10

Do our records show unemployability: NO

The date of the current award evaluation is shown in our records as: 01-DEC-2008

Our records reflect that you are in receipt of non-service connected pension: NO

Do our records show receipt of Specially Adapted Housing (SAH) grant and/or Special Home Adaptations (SHA) grants: NO

Do our records show that you have an anatomical loss: NO

Do our records show that you have loss of use of a vital organ or body part: NO

If you have any questions about this letter or VA benefits, please call us at 1-800-827-1000. If you are hearing impaired, dial 1-800-829-4833. You may also visit our website at www.va.gov.

Sincerely yours,

B. C. GIBBARD
VETERAN SERVICE CENTER MANAGER