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WEST MICHIGAN SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS FORUM C/O MARK LENZ 55 E MONROE ST 37TH FLR Employer Identification Number: 26-3787387
DLN:

17053222308039 Contact Person: TERRY IZUMI

RY IZUMI ID# 95048

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

December 31

Public Charity Status:

509(a)(2)

Form 990 Required:

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Effective Date of Exemption:

December 19, 2008

Contribution Deductibility:

Yes

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

WEST MICHIGAN SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

Sincerely,

Robert Choi

Director, Exempt Organizations

Rulings and Agreements

Enclosure: Publication 4221-PC