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November 1, 2012

Ms. Katherin Dickerson
G.R. Birdwell Construction, LP
P.O. Box 690748
Houston, Texas 77269

Dear Ms. Dickerson:

PTSD Foundation of America has qualified for exemption from the Texas *franchise tax* effective April 13, 2005, and from the *sales and use tax* effective Nov. 1, 2012, as a 501(c)(3) organization. The exemption does not extend to hotel occupancy tax.

The exemption information can also be verified online through our Exempt Search at http://window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/exempt/exempt_search.html.

We have assigned Texas Taxpayer Number **32017228241** to the organization. Please reference this number in any correspondence with our office. The assignment of the taxpayer number does not mean the organization is permitted to collect or remit Texas taxes. Exempt organizations must collect taxes on most of their sales. Please give our Tax Assistance section a call at (800) 252-5555 if you need a sales tax permit.

The sales tax exemption extends to goods and services purchased for use by your organization. The exemption does not apply if the purchase is for the personal benefit of an individual or private party, or is not related to the organization's exempt purpose. For more information, please see our Publication # 96-122, *Exempt Organizations – Sales and Purchases*.

A valid sales tax exemption certificate can be issued instead of paying tax when buying taxable items related to the exempt purpose of the organization. The exemption certificate does not need a taxpayer number to be valid, but you may provide your taxpayer number if the seller requests it. The exemption certificate [Form 01-339 (Back)] is available online at www.cpa.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/01-339.pdf.

Changes to the organization's name, registered agent, and/or registered office address must be filed with the Texas Secretary of State (SOS). The changes can be made online through the SOS website at www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/sosda/index.shtml or you can download the forms and instructions from www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/forms_option.shtml. You can also contact them at corpinfo@sos.state.tx.us or call (512) 463-5582. It is important to maintain current registered agent information, because this is how we will contact you if we have reason to believe that your organization no longer qualifies for exemption.

Additionally, the exemptions granted in this letter, have been granted under the condition that the corporation takes the appropriate steps to contact the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and update the official corporate name on their records for the 501(c)(3) exempt status. The official corporate name is **PTSD Foundation of America**. You can contact the IRS Exempt Organization Section at (877) 829-5500.

Our goal is to provide you with prompt, professional service. Please take a moment to complete our on-line survey at <http://aixtcp.cpa.state.tx.us/surveys/tpsuv2/index.html>.

If you have any questions, write to us at the Exempt Organizations Section, P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas, 78711-3528, send an e-mail to exempt.orgs@cpa.state.tx.us, or call us at (800) 531-5441, extension 3-4142. Publications and other helpful information are online at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/exempt.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wanda K. Carter".

Wanda K. Carter
Exempt Organizations Section