

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Center for Verification and Evaluation Washington, DC 20420

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Mr. David Eric Steele The Steele Group, LLC DUNS: 169143901 P.O. Box 30996 Indianapolis, IN 46230 - 0996

Dear Mr. Steele:

On behalf of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE), I am writing to inform you that The Steele Group, LLC has been verified as a Veteran-owned small business (VOSB) and added to the Veteran business database at www.vip.vetbiz.gov. The Steele Group, LLC will be eligible to participate in Veterans First Contracting Program opportunities with VA. **This verification is valid for two years from the date of this letter.**

To promote The Steele Group, LLC's verified status, you may use the following link to download the logo for use on marketing materials and business cards:

http://www.vetbiz.gov/cve_completed_v.jpg

To ensure that The Steele Group, LLC is correctly listed in the Vendor Information Pages, check The Steele Group, LLC's profile for the verified logo. Please notify us if the logo is not present within 72 hours of receipt of this letter.

While CVE has confirmed that The Steele Group, LLC is in compliance with the regulation, The Steele Group, LLC must inform CVE of any changes or other circumstances that would adversely affect its eligibility. Eligibility changes not reported to CVE within 60 days could result in a referral to the Office of Inspector General (OIG), a referral to the Debarment and Suspension Committee, and the initiation of cancellation proceedings—all of which could result in The Steele Group, LLC being removed from the VIP Verification Program.

Please be advised that this letter and other information pertaining to The Steele Group, LLC's verification application may be subject to Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests. In addition, all companies approved for the program may be required to participate in one or more post-verification audits. Please retain a copy of this letter to confirm The Steele Group, LLC's continued program eligibility.

At any time if The Steele Group, LLC discovers one or more NAICS Code(s) that are other than small on its CVE VIP profile, CVE will require all other than small NAICS Codes to be removed within five (5) business days. If these NAICS Codes are not removed within the allotted five (5) business days, CVE may request the U.S. Small Business

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Administration (SBA) to conduct a formal size determination. In addition, CVE may initiate a referral to OIG, Debarment and Suspension Committee and or pursue cancellation proceedings. All of the aforementioned referrals and procedures could result in The Steele Group, LLC being removed from the VIP Verification Program.

Thank you for your service to our country and for continuing to serve America through small business ownership.

Singerely,

J. Gault

Acting Director