

U.S. Small Business Administration South Florida District Office

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Mr. Christopher S. Leto President & CEO Tampa Brass & Aluminum Corp. 8511 Glorida Mining Road Tampa, Florida 33634

Dear Mr. Leto:

Congratulations! It is with great pleasure I inform you of your selection as the winner of the U.S. Small Business Administration's South Florida District 2007 Jeffrey H. Butland Family-Owned Small Business of the Year Award.

This award acknowledges you and your family's personal efforts and achievements in sustaining a successful business over three generations that creates jobs and builds communities. Thank you for your continued support of our troops by consistently providing high-quality products and services and for participating in our awards program.

The National Small Business Week Awards Celebration will be held April 23-24, 2007 in Washington, DC. Our office will celebrate your achievements along with the other award winners on May 2nd in Tampa during the 21st Annual Government Small Business Conference Luncheon hosted by the University of South Florida Small Business Development Center. Details for the ceremony will follow in a separate letter.

I look forward to meeting you to extend my personal congratulations.

Sincerely,

Francisco "Pancho" A. Marrero

District Director

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