



September 13, 2013

Teddy Bucksbaum  
504 Echo Lane  
Glenview, IL 60025

Dear Teddy,

Congratulations on completing your project with PCRR. Founded in 2000, PC Rebuilders & Recyclers (PCRR) has a two-fold purpose of bridging the digital divide and supporting environmental responsibility through the refreshment of prematurely retired computer systems. In doing so, we provide a responsible way for corporations to dispose of their unwanted equipment as well as an inexpensive way for anyone to invest in technology. PCRR was launched by Willie Cade in his basement on the north side of Chicago. The program has placed computers in schools, non-profit organizations, need-based homes and commercial organizations proving that limited funding does not preclude cost-effective access to technology.

Your collection of 35 computers, 50 CRT monitors and 31 printers were all refurbished or responsibly recycled. Specifically, 10 computers were refurbished and used to fulfill orders from several public schools. We also work with Vanguard's Computers for Schools program and since 2003 Vanguard has donated 3500 computers. We recently partnered with Techsoup.org, a project of TechSoup Global. TechSoup is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with a clear focus: connecting your nonprofit, charity, or public library with technology products and solutions, plus the learning resources you need to make informed decisions about technology. Our free learning resources are available to all users. Once registered and qualified with TechSoup, nonprofits and libraries can access donated and discounted products and services, including high-quality refurbished hardware, and software from partners like Microsoft, Adobe, Cisco, Intuit, and Symantec. Some of your computers also furnished equipment to the above mentioned partners.

In 2011, Illinois Governor Quinn signed IL SB 2106, strengthening the Reuse and Recycle Act. That signing took place at PCRR's facility.

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"Governor Quinn has made the recycling of e-waste a top environmental priority for the state, which is why Illinois is a leader on removing electronics from our waste stream," said Sen. Garrett.

"This bill not only prevents toxic substances from entering into the ground," said Rep. Biss. "But it also encourages the continued rapid growth of the e-recycling industry, supporting small businesses around the state that have created thousands of new jobs in recent years."

Because of this Act, your CRT monitors are responsibly recycled by PCRR, although this process requires us to pay for the recycling, it is part of our mission as a company to be environmentally responsible, adhere to strict industry criteria, and never pass along that cost to any end user. Likewise, the printers you collected were sorted as to working and non working. Those that work can become part of a value add to orders such as schools and other non profits that are on limited budgets. At times, we send a working computer with an order gratis. Those that did not work were dismantled and the parts were harvested for either reuse or responsibly recycled. We are committed to reducing electronics in the waste stream not only in Illinois, but nationally and internationally. Our company provides free pickup to businesses that are looking to discard their retired equipment. We also work with organizations from other states that send us their equipment and that equipment is processed accordingly. We have also worked with international organizations that support among other individuals, at risk children.

Finally, PCRR believes in the human cause and acts upon that belief. The founder and his family have always followed the creed "Do unto others". Willie Cade, CEO and founder firmly believes in giving individuals a second chance. He works with parolee organizations to employ the formerly incarcerated. At any given time, 30-40% of the employees at PCRR were convicted felons. Mr. Cade believes that when we give others a second chance, we not only impact their lives, but an entire community. He and his family have even gone as far as to find pro bono attorneys to argue for a falsely accused employee. That individual was found not guilty in less than an hour and now calls the Cade house "home". PCRR also works within the community to provide on the job training and life skills. Working with Northside Learning Center, a self contained, special education high school in Chicago, they provide space for their students to come onsite and perform tasks specific to their abilities under the supervision of the special education teachers and aides that accompany these kids. At the end of every school year each student is presented with a certificate of accomplishment and the heartfelt reaction of excitement and accomplishment expressed by those students is palpable.

Personally, working at PCRR as Willie Cade's executive assistant is like having a second family. My own daughter, Julia has extensive special needs and they always welcome her with open arms on those occasions that she accompanies me to work.

PC Rebuilders and Recyclers is an organization that truly represents the Boy Scout Oath to do their best, to help people at all times and to stay physically, mentally and morally strong and straight.

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We appreciate you choosing PC Rebuilders and Recyclers as a partner to earn your Eagle Scout Award. On behalf of the CEO and our entire staff, our heartfelt congratulations.

Best regards,

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Executive Assistant to CEO Willie Cade

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