



The World's Toughest Bicycle Race

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Michael Pichler
Austria

Dear Michael:

Congratulations, you have qualified to race in the Solo Division of Race Across America — *The world's toughest bicycle race.*

All Solo entrants must achieve the RAAM qualification standard in order to race in the Solo Division of RAAM. A limited number of cyclists do so every year. You are among an elite group of ultra-endurance racers who have achieved RAAM Qualified status.

Your qualification is good for three years including the year in which you qualify. After that you will have to re-qualify. Once you have raced Solo RAAM and finished you are qualified for life. Our hope is that you take the next step and enter RAAM. We are confident you will find racing RAAM the experience of a lifetime. Finish RAAM and you will become a member of a very exclusive club.

Again, congratulations on your achievement. We look forward to your joining us at the start line.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Boethling". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a light-colored background.

Rick Boethling
Executive Director