

# **Minority Business Enterprise Commission**

## **Certification Review Committee (CRC)**

### **Minutes of the Meeting**

**July 19, 2005**

**A meeting of the Certification Review Committee (CRC) was held at the RI Department of Administration, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI on Tuesday, July 19, 2005. The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. with a quorum being declared present. Members in attendance: Jim Choquette, Mauriana Akinfolarin, Stephanie Morris, and Denise Correy. Also in attendance were Dorinda Keene and Brianne Behrens, staff to the committee.**

**The Minutes of the June 21, 2005 meeting were reviewed. After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to approve the Minutes as reported. The motion carried.**

**The Certification Review Committee reviewed the following applications and the recommendation of the MBE Compliance Office:**

- a) Ahlers Design, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**
- b) Artifex Technology Consulting, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**
- c) Embolden Design, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**
- d) E-Squared Engineering MBE/DBE VA**
- e) F.B. Ahern, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**
- f) K & L Printing Company, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**

**g) Maura Sullivan, dba Northeast Services Group WBE/DBE MA**

**h) Oak Square Resources, LLC WBE/DBE MA**

**i) Rhode Island Court Reporting, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**

**j) TransSolutions, LLC WBE/DBE TX**

**After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to approve the certification of these firms for participation in the State of Rhode Island's MBE program as well as the DBE program as administered by those transportation agencies governed by 49 CFR in the industry categories as detailed in the write up presented by the MBE Compliance Office. Motion carried unanimously.**

**The Certification Review Committee reviewed the following applications and the recommendations of the MBE Compliance Office:**

**a) Plexus Corporation WBE/DBE RI**

**b) Rhode Island Rebar, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**

**After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to notify these companies of the need for a hearing based upon issues of ownership, control, and dependency upon non-minority individual(s). Motion carried unanimously.**

**Old/New Business:**

**LJ Site Development, Inc. – This item was carried forward from a prior CRC meeting. Per the request of the CRC, the MBE Compliance Office has been directed to request additional information in order to complete the review of the application for certification as a WBE/DBE in the State of Rhode Island.**

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**Roy McQueen & Associates, Ltd. – This item was tabled at a prior CRC meeting. The MBE Compliance Office, per the directive of the CRC, has sought assistance from the VA Department of Transportation on the following issues: compensation to owners over the past three (3) years, with an emphasis on employment agreements and stock agreements. As of this date, the MBE Compliance Office is still awaiting a response from the VA Department of Transportation.**

**KRA Corporation, Inc. – This item was carried forward from a prior CRC meeting. Per the directive of the CRC, the MBE Compliance Office requested additional information in order to complete the review of the application for certification as an MBE/DBE in the State of Rhode Island. As of July 12, 2005, the information had not been received. Therefore, the MBE Compliance Office notified the**

**applicant that the application would be withdrawn. On July 14, 2005, a partial submittal was received from the applicant. Per the directive of the CRC, the MBE Compliance Office shall notify the applicant requesting the balance of the additional information.**

**Automated Business Systems & Services, Inc. - This item was carried forward from a prior CRC meeting. Per the directive of the CRC, the MBE Compliance Office requested additional information in order to complete the review of the application for certification as an MBE/DBE in the State of Rhode Island. As of July 11, 2005, the information had not been received. Therefore, the MBE Compliance Office notified the applicant that the application would be withdrawn.**

**There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Certification Review Committee shall be on Tuesday, August 16, 2005.**