

# **Minority Business Enterprise Commission**

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

### **Minutes of the Meeting**

**November 22, 2005**

**A meeting of the Certification Review Committee (CRC) was held at the RI Department of Administration, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI on Tuesday, November 22, 2005. The meeting was called to order at 3:13 p.m. with a quorum being declared present. Members in attendance: Charles Newton, Jim Choquette, Mauriana Akinfolarin, Stephanie Morris and Denise Correy. Also in attendance was Dorinda Keene, staff to the committee.**

**The Minutes of the November 2, 2005 meeting were reviewed. After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to approve the Minutes as reported. The motion carried unanimously.**

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

- a) Boardman Environmental WBE/DBE RI**
- b) Coover-Clark & Associates, P.C. WBE/DBE CO**
- c) Drew Medical, Inc. WBE/DBE RI**
- d) The ED-TECH Group M/W/DBE VA**
- e) Infiniti Steel, Inc. MBE/DBE RI**
- f) OSA Contracting, LLC WBE/DBE RI**

**g) Robert L. Torres, Sr., dba Accurate Conveyor MBE/DBE CT**

**After some discussion, a motion was made and properly 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.**

**Hearings:**

**Antonelli & Sons Landscape/Construction, Inc. – A hearing was originally scheduled for this applicant on September 20, 2005. Per the request of the applicant, said hearing was rescheduled for November 22, 2005. The applicant was notified by certified mail of the new hearing date and time. Per the U.S. Postal Office return receipt, the applicant received said notification on October 3, 2005. The applicant failed to respond to said notification within the mandated ten (10) of receipt of same. The applicant was again notified, via facsimile, on November 21, 2005, and again via telephone on November 22, 2005. The applicant failed to respond to the notification for hearing and failed to attend said hearing as scheduled. Consequently, a motion was made and properly seconded to deny the certification of this company as a WBE/DBE. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Atlantic Solutions, Ltd. – A hearing was conducted before the CRC pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act and was attended by the owner of the applicant firm, Ms. Janet Kent. After questioning by the members of the CRC concerning issues of control, dependency upon a non-minority individual, and concern that the firm had been established for the purposes of competing for MBE/WBE/DBE programs, a motion was**

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**made and properly seconded to deny the certification of this company as a WBE/DBE. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Old/New Business:**

**LJ Site Development, Inc. – This item was carried forward from a prior CRC meeting. Per the directive of the CRC, this application remains tabled, pending receipt of additional information as previously requested.**

**There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Certification Review Committee shall be on Tuesday, December 20,**

**2005.**