

Minority Business Enterprise Compliance Office

Certification Review Committee (CRC)

Minutes of the Meeting

July 16, 2008

A meeting of the Certification Review Committee (CRC) was held at the Rhode Island Department of Administration, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908 on Wednesday, July 16, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 2:18 p.m. with a quorum being declared present. Members in attendance were Louise Anderson, Olayinka Oredugba, and Muraina Akinfolarin. Also in attendance was Dorinda Keene, staff to the CRC, as well as Jacquelyn Eldredge and David Eldredge, representing Accurate Drilling and Blasting Corp.

The Minutes of the June 18, 2008 meeting were reviewed. After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to approve the Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Certification Review Committee reviewed recommendations of the MBE Compliance Office regarding applications submitted on behalf of the following firms:

- a) M.J. Mazzotta, Ltd. WBE/DBE RI**
- b) Oak Transcription, Inc. WBE/DBE NY**
- c) Sarian Company, Inc. WBE/DBE MA**

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 applicable, as administered by those transportation agencies governed by 49 CFR in the industry as detailed in the write up presented by the MBE Compliance office. Motion carried unanimously.

The Certification Review Committee reviewed recommendations of the MBE Compliance Office regarding applications submitted on behalf of the following firms:

a) Accurate Drilling and Blasting Corp. WBE/DBE RI

b) Popcorn Guys Enterprises, Inc. WBE/DBE RI

After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to notify these firms of the need for a hearing based upon issues of control and dependency upon non-minority individuals. Motion carried unanimously.

Hearings:

Jenny and Jeff Designs, Inc. – A hearing was conducted before the CRC regarding the application for certification as a WBE/DBE submitted on behalf of Jenny and Jeff Designs, Inc., and was attended by the applicant, Ms. Jenny Faw. After questioning by the

members of the CRC regarding issues of control and dependency upon a non-minority individual, the applicant withdrew their application for certification.

Shawomet Electric Company, Inc. – A hearing was conducted before the CRC regarding the application for certification as a WBE/DBE submitted on behalf of Shawomet Electric Company, Inc., and was attended by the applicant, Ms. Ericka Lowe. After questioning by the members of the CRC regarding issues of control, licensing, and dependency upon a non-minority individual, a motion was made and properly seconded to deny the certification of this firm. Motion carried unanimously.

Old/New Business:

Mount Hope Builders, Inc. – The CRC Members were advised that this matter remains in litigation.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m. The next meeting of the Certification Review Committee shall be on Wednesday, July 30, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.