

**Minority Business Enterprise Compliance Office**

**Certification Review Committee (CRC)**

**Minutes of the Meeting**

**January 18, 2011**

**A meeting of the Certification Review Committee (CRC) was held at the Rhode Island Department of Administration, One Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908 on Tuesday, January 18, 2011. The meeting was called to order at 2:36 p.m. with a quorum being declared present. Members in attendance: Charles Newton, Olayinka Oredugba, and Denise Correy. Members absent: Muraina Akinfolarin and Louise Anderson. Also in attendance were Patsy Peterson and Dorinda Keene, staff to the CRC.**

**The Minutes of the December 15, 2010 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 the application submitted on behalf of the following firm:**

**a) Bass Rocks Construction Corp. WBE/DBE RI**

**After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to**

**approve the certification of this firm in the State of Rhode Island's MBE program and the DBE program as administered by those transportation agencies governed by 49 CFR, as applicable. Motion carried unanimously.**

**The Certification Review Committee reviewed recommendations of the MBE Compliance Office regarding the application submitted on behalf of the following firm:**

**a) M.G. Associates, Inc.      WBE/DBE RI**

**After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to notify this firm of the need for a hearing based upon issues of control, dependency, affiliation with non-minority owned firms, and the appearance that the firm was structured in order to take advantage of the MBE and DBE programs. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Hearings:**

**Atlantis Comfort Systems Corp. – A hearing was conducted before the CRC regarding the application for certification submitted on behalf of Atlantis Comfort Systems Corp, and was attended by Mr. D'von Myles, President of the firm. After questioning by the members of the CRC regarding issues of control, licensing, dependency, and the appearance that the firm was structured in order to take**

**advantage of the MBE and DBE programs, a motion was made and properly seconded to deny the certification of this firm. The motion failed to pass with one vote for the motion (Newton), and two abstentions (Oredugba and Correy). After further discuss, a second motion was made and properly seconded to deny the certification of the firm. The second motion passed with two votes for the motion (Newton & Correy), and one abstention (Oredugba).**

**Urban Policy Development, LLC - A hearing was scheduled before the CRC regarding the application for certification submitted on behalf of Urban Policy Development, LLC. The applicant opted not to attend the hearing in order to provide testimony on behalf of the application submitted by Urban Policy Development, LLC. After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to deny the certification of this firm based upon issues of ownership. Motion carried unanimously.**

**There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:23 p.m. The next meeting of the CRC is scheduled for Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.**