

Minority Business Enterprise Compliance Office

Certification Review Committee (CRC)

Minutes of the Meeting

March 17, 2015

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, March 17, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. with a quorum being declared present. Members in attendance: Charles Newton, Louise Anderson, and Carmen Diaz-Jusino. Members absent: Muraina Akinfolarin and Louis Francis. Also in attendance was Patsy Peterson, staff to the CRC.

The Minutes of the February 17, 2015 meeting were reviewed. After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to approve the Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The CRC reviewed recommendations by the MBE Compliance Office regarding applications for certification submitted on behalf of the following firms:

a) Abbott NA, LLC, d/b/a Abbott Naval Architects WBE/DBE RI

b) AI Engineers, Inc. MBE CT

c) Brenda Jackson Consulting, LLC WBE/DBE KS

d) F.S.A. Transportation, LLC MBE/DBE RI

e) Pereira Engineering, LLC MBE/DBE CT

f) Publicall Telecommunications, Inc. MBE FL

After some discussion, a motion was made and properly seconded to approve the DBE certification for these firms, as applicable. Motion carried unanimously. A second motion was then made and properly seconded to approve the MBE certification for these firms, as applicable, for participation in the State of Rhode Island's MBE program. Motion carried unanimously.

The CRC reviewed recommendations by the MBE Compliance Office regarding applications for certification submitted on behalf of the following firms:

a) Tech Comm Partners, Inc., d/b/a TCP Learning WBE 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 ownership, control, capital contributions, and the appearance that the firm may have been structured in order to take advantage of the MBE program. Motion carried unanimously.

Old/New Business:

The CRC members were notified that the following firms submitted Inter-State DBE and/or ACDBE Certification Requests pursuant to 49

CFR 26.85(b) and said certifications have been processed:

a) iBusiness Solutions, LLC

b) Midwest Building Supplies, Inc.

c) Visual Connections, LLC

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. The next meeting of the CRC is scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.