

CALIFORNIA UNIFIED CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

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Mr. Terrence Watkins **Sankofa Company** 6826 S. La Cienega Blvd Inglewood, CA 90302

Subject: <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Certification</u>

Dear Mr. Terrence Watkins:

We are pleased to advise you that after careful review of your application and supporting documentation, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) has determined that your firm meets the eligibility standards to be certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) as required under the U.S. Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) Regulation 49 CFR Part 26, as amended. This certification will be recognized by all of the U.S. DOT recipients in California. Your firm will be listed in the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) database of certified DBEs under the following specific area(s) of expertise that you have identified on the NAICS codes form of the application package:

NAICS 425120: WHOLESALE TRADE AGENTS AND BROKERS

Your DBE certification applies only for the above code(s). You may review your firms information in the CUCP DBE database which can be accessed at the CUCP website at https://dot.ca.gov/programs/civil-rights/dbe-search. Any additions and revisions must be submitted to Metro for review and approval.

In order to ensure your continuing DBE status, you are required to submit an annual update along with supporting documentation. If no changes are noted, then your DBE status remains current. If there are changes, Metro will review to determine continued DBE eligibility. Please note, your DBE status remains in effect unless Metro notifies you otherwise.

Also, should any changes occur that could affect your certification status prior to receipt of the annual update, such as changes in your firm's name, business/mailing address, ownership, management or control, or failure to meet the applicable business size standards or personal net worth standard, please notify Metro immediately. Failure to submit forms and/or change of information will be deemed a failure to cooperate under Section 26.109 of the Regulations.

Metro reserves the right to withdraw this certification if at any time it is determined that it was knowingly obtained by false, misleading, or incorrect information. Your DBE certification is subject to review at any time. The firm thereby consents to the examination of its books, records and documents by Metro.

Congratulations, and thank you for your interest in the DBE program. Should you have any questions, please contact us at (213) 922-2600. For information on Metro contracting opportunities, please visit our website at www.metro.net.

Sincerely,

Shirley Wong

Principal Certification Officer

Diversity & Economic Opportunity Department