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CALIFORNIA UNIFIED CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

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Terrance Watkins
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RE: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Certification

Dear: Mr. Watkins,

Congratulations, and thank you for your interest in the DBE program. We are pleased to advise you that after a thorough review of your application and supporting documentation, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) has determined that your firm meets the certification eligibility criteria established by U.S. Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) regulation 49 CFR Part 26, as amended, to be certified as a DBE. This certification will be recognized by all California based U.S. DOT recipients. Your firm will be listed in the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) database of certified DBEs under the following areas of expertise.

NAICS	Description
238220	Plumbing, Heating and Air-Conditioning Contractors
423320	Brick, Stone and Related Construction Material Merchant Wholesalers
423610	Electrical Apparatus and Equipment, Wiring Supplies and Related Merchant Wholesalers
423720	Plumbing and Heating Equipment and Supplies (Hydronics) Merchant Wholesalers
425120	Wholesale Trade Agents and Brokers
561320	Temporary Help Services

Your DBE certification applies only for the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes listed above. You may review your firm's information on the CUCP DBE database at www.californiaucp.org. Any additions and/or revisions must be submitted to Metro for review and approval.

In order to ensure your continued DBE status, the U.S. DOT requires all DBE certified firms to update their certification annually. A Declaration of Eligibility (DOE), along with supporting documentation, must be submitted by the anniversary date of your firm's certification. If no changes are noted, then your DBE status remains current. If there are changes, Metro will conduct a review to determine continued DBE eligibility. Please note, your DBE status remains in effect unless Metro notifies you otherwise.

Should any changes occur that affect your certification status, such as circumstances affecting your ability to meet size standards, personal net worth, disadvantaged status, ownership, control, or any material changes in the information provided with your application should be immediately disclosed to Metro. Failure to submit annual DOE documentation and/or change of information will be deemed a failure to cooperate under Section 26.109 of the Regulations and your firm will be removed from the CUCP DBE database.

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 a comprehensive review at any time. Should you have any questions, please contact us at [213-922-2600](tel:213-922-2600) ([Option 1](#)). For information on Metro contracting opportunities, please visit our website at www.metro.net/connect.

Sincerely,

Ramon Ortiz

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