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Gina Foringer
Environmental Research Group, LLC
6049 Falls Road
Baltimore, MD 21209

Re: Annual Update Affidavit (AUA)
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)

Dear Gina Foringer:

Upon review of the AUA and supporting documentation, TxDOT has determined that Environmental Research Group, LLC., continues to meet the eligibility requirements of the federal DBE program.

DBE certification does not expire, however, to remain certified it is incumbent on you to submit the AUA on or before your next certification anniversary date. A courtesy reminder will be sent from the Diversity Management System (DMS) in advance of the AUA due date.

Firms listed in the Texas Unified Certification Program (TUCP) directory located at <https://txdot.txdotcms.com> are currently certified DBE/ACDBEs. All DBEs certified pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26, are automatically certified in TxDOT's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program. TxDOT encourages you to utilize the TUCP directory as a marketing tool. In that respect you should periodically verify your firm's certification description and North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code(s) closely describe the goods or services your firm provides.

Should your firm be awarded an opportunity to participate on a federally funded project, your firm must perform a commercially useful function (CUF). A DBE performs CUF when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a CUF, the DBE must also be responsible, with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself.

For information on TxDOT's contracting and procurement opportunities visit <https://www.txdot.gov>.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Bryant
Director
Civil Rights Division

Cc: Joe Sanchez, Compliance Analyst