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Ms. Sue Sylvester
Absolute Resource Associates, LLC
124 Heritage Avenue, Suite 16
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Dear Ms. Sylvester:

Congratulations! Your firm has been renewed as a woman business enterprise (WBE) with the Supplier Diversity Office ("SDO") under the business description of ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING LAB OF SOILS AND WATER. Your firm will be listed in the SDO Certified Business Directory and the Massachusetts Central Register under this description. **This letter serves as the sole proof of your SDO certification.** Your designation as a WBE is valid for two (2) years unless revoked pursuant to 425 CMR 2.00.

Your firm's next renewal date is June 6, 2018. SDO will send written renewal notices to your business and/or e-mail address on file approximately thirty (30) business days prior to your firm's two (2) years certification anniversary. Additionally, every six (6) years certified, companies that wish to remain certified may undergo a substantive review which will require certain updated supporting documentation.

SDO also reserves the right to monitor your firm and to perform random spot checks to ensure the firm continues to meet the certification criteria. Your firm is required to notify the SDO in writing of any material changes. Examples include but are not limited to changes in its business description, as well as business phone number, fax number, business' physical location, webpage and e-mail addresses. Other reportable changes include business structure, ownership (the business is sold or transferred), control and outside employment. You also have a duty to report decertification and debarment notices from this or any other any other jurisdiction. Failure to abide by the continuing duty requirements shall constitute grounds for the firm's decertification.

We look forward to working with you and your firm to maximize its business opportunities. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact a member of our staff at 617-502-8831.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William M. McAvoy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "W".

William M. McAvoy
Deputy Assistant Secretary and
Chief Legal Counsel