



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
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March 10, 2010

Certification No: 031010-04

FIRESTOP LOGISTICS  
Attn: Mr. James Castro, President  
P.O. Box 101154  
Nashville, TN 37224

Dear Mr. Castro:

Congratulations! The Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise is pleased to inform you that FIRESTOP LOGISTICS has been certified to be a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) as defined in T.C.A. 12-3-801 et. seq.

The Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise is the central point of contact for Minority, Women, and Small Business Enterprises seeking to participate in the State of Tennessee procurement and contracting activity.

Your certification period begins **March 10, 2010** and is valid for a period of two years. **This letter will serve as proof of certification with the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise.** Your business will be added to our Directory of Certified businesses which are published on our website. This website will be made available to state and local government agencies as well as private industry seeking diversity firms for procurement opportunities. The certification will remain active as long as your diversity status does not change.

**Changes in the business status:**

Certified Diversity Business must notify the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise in writing within five calendar days of any changes that affect the diversity status of the business including, but not limited to ownership, management, officers, contact information, and any other changes. This information must be provided in writing to our office within the time frame specified. Failure to provide this information may affect the status of your certification.

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**Certification Renewal:**

To renew your certification with the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise, you must submit an Affidavit of No Change not less than 60 days prior to the expiration date of your certification. A copy of this form is included for your use. You may obtain this affidavit by visiting our website at [www.tennessee.gov/diversity](http://www.tennessee.gov/diversity) click on Go-DBE Forms.

Upon receipt of your Affidavit of No Change, you will be contacted if additional information is required. Your diversity business will be notified by letter that your registration and certification has been renewed.


**Please note the following:**

All out of state businesses must submit evidence of an existing certification from their own state at each renewal period.

All businesses certified as a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) must submit a copy of form 941 or a copy of their most recent tax returns, including all schedules at each renewal period.

If you have any questions regarding your certification, please contact Ms. Tammy White Diversity Business Liaison, at (615) 253-4657.

Sincerely,



Shelia J. Simpson  
Diversity Business Enterprise Program Director

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