



Illinois Department of Transportation

Office of Business & Workforce Diversity
2300 South Dirksen Parkway / Springfield, Illinois 62764

July 3, 2024

CERTIFIED-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Candace Bui-Walston
YingMing Enterprise LLC
1318 Sunflower Ln.
Minooka, IL 60447

Dear Candace Bui-Walston:

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), your host agency, is pleased to notify you that your firm has met the requirements for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program certification in accordance with the governing federal regulations, 49 CFR part 26.

This certification allows your firm to participate as a DBE in the Illinois Unified Certification Program (IL UCP). The participating agencies include the Illinois Department of Transportation, the City of Chicago, the Chicago Transit Authority, Metra, and Pace.

Your certification is approved commencing on **June 18, 2024**. To remain certified with the IL UCP you must submit a *No Change Affidavit* each year. Notification will be sent to you sixty (60) days prior to the anniversary date of your certification. It is your responsibility to ensure that your certification is kept current by submitting the required information in a timely manner. Failure to provide this information is a ground for removal of certification based on failure to cooperate pursuant to 49 CFR 26.109(c).

If there is any change in circumstances that affects your ability to meet size, disadvantaged status, ownership, or control requirements or any material change in the information provided in your application, you must provide written notification to this agency within thirty (30) days of the occurrence of the change. Failure to provide this information is a ground for removal of certification pursuant to 49 CFR 26.83(i).

Your firm's name will appear in the IL UCP DBE Directory in the following area(s) of specialty:

PROFESSIONAL AND MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT TRAINING
MARKETING CONSULTING SERVICES

This Directory is used by prime contractors/consultants, as well as other agencies, to solicit participation of DBE firms. The Directory can be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.dot.state.il.us/ucp/ucp.html>.

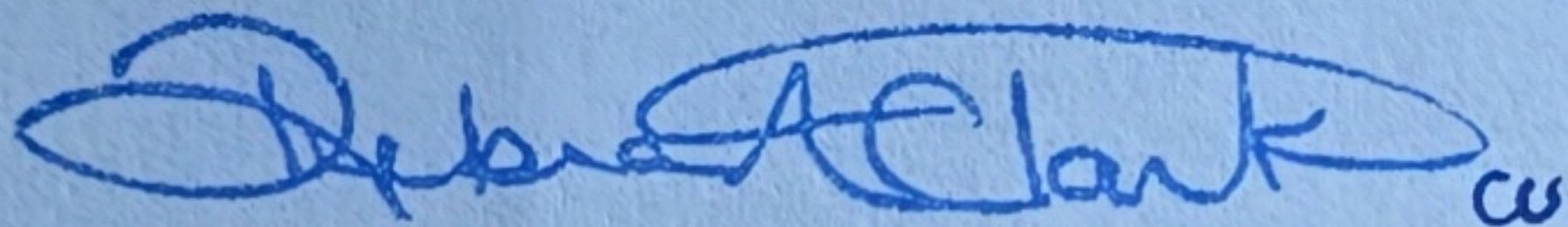
Your participation on contracts will only be credited toward DBE contract goals when you perform in your firm's approved area(s) of specialty. Credit for participation in an area outside your specialty requires prior approval (verification of resources, expertise, and corresponding support documentation, etc.).

Please note:

- This certification does not attest to your firm's abilities to perform in the approved work category(ies).
- Your certification may be revoked if your firm is found to be involved in bidding or contractual irregularities or has violated DBE program regulations pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26.107.
- For work to count toward a DBE contract goal, the DBE firm must perform a "commercially useful function" pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26.55. A DBE is considered to perform a commercially useful function when it is responsible for execution of a distinct element of the work of a contract and carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved.
- Firms seeking work with IDOT as a prime or subconsultant in specialized engineering categories must be prequalified by IDOT's Bureau of Design and Environment.
- Firms seeking work with IDOT as a prime construction contractor must be prequalified by IDOT's Bureau of Construction.

Please direct all inquiries and any questions to this agency at (217) 782-5490.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Clark", followed by a small "cc" in the bottom right corner.

Debra A. Clark
Interim DBE Certification Section Manager
Bureau of Small Business Enterprises

Enclosure



Illinois Department of Transportation

YingMing Enterprise LLC

is hereby certified as a

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise

This certificate is valid under current firm ownership and operational control only and supersedes any authorization or listing previously issued.

Omer M. Osman, P.E.
Secretary
Illinois Department of Transportation

Brandy Phillips
Director
Office of Business & Workforce Diversity
Illinois Department of Transportation

Effective the 18th day of June 2024