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Mr. Leonard K. Kaae Senior Vice President and General Manager Black Construction Corporation P.O. Box 24667 GMF, Guam 96921

Dear Mr. Kaae:

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to inform you that you have been selected as the 2006 Dwight D. Eisenhower Award for Excellence recipient in the category of Construction for the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

Your hard work, innovative ideas, and dedication to your community have made you a success in your business and SBA is pleased to be able to recognize you for these achievements. As President Bush has often said, "America's small businesses are the engine that drives our economy." You can be proud of the role you are playing in our Nation's robust economic growth.

Each year since 1963, the President has issued a proclamation calling for the celebration of Small Business Week. National Small Business Week recognizes outstanding small business owners for their personal achievements and contributions to our Nation's economy. This year, the celebration will honor an estimated 25 million small businesses in America. Small businesses represent more than 99 percent of all employers, provide 75 percent of the net new jobs, and generate a majority of American innovations.

As the recipient of this award, you are invited to represent your company during Small Business Week in Washington, D.C. These events have been scheduled for April 12-13, 2006.

SBA has planned a program that should prove to be interesting, educational and enjoyable.

Again, congratulations. I look forward to meeting you during Small Business Week 2006.

Sincerely,

Hector V. Barreto Administrator