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August 25, 2021

Mr. Darrell Higueros President Next Generation, Inc. 155 North Wacker Suite 4250 Chicago, IL 60602

Re: Annual Certification Expires: August 25, 2022

Dear Mr. Higueros:

Congratulations on your continued eligibility for Certification as a **Minority-owned Business Enterprise (MBE)** Cook County Government. This certification is valid until **August 25, 2026**; however, you must re-validate your firms' certification annually.

As a condition of continued Certification during this five (5) year term, you must file a "No Change Affidavit" within sixty (60) business days prior to the date of Annual Certification Expiration. Failure to file this Affidavit shall result in the termination of your Certification. You must notify Cook County Government's Office of Contract Compliance of any change in ownership or control or any other matters or facts affecting your firm's eligibility for Certification within fifteen (15) business days of such change.

Cook County Government may commence action to remove your firm as an **MBE** vendor if you fail to notify us of any changes of facts affecting your firm's Certification, or if your firm otherwise fails to cooperate with the County in any inquiry or investigation. Removal of status may also be commenced if your firm is found to be involved in bidding or contractual irregularities.

Your firm's name will be listed in Cook County's Directory of certified firms in the following area(s) of specialty:

TECHNOLOGY: SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE CONSULTING; RESELLER OF ORACLE PRODUCTS

Your firm's participation on Cook County contracts will be credited toward MBE goals in your area(s) of specialty. While your participation on Cook County contracts is not limited to your specialty, credit toward MBE goals will be given only for work performed in the specialty category.

Thank you for your continued interest in Cook County Government's Minority, Women, Veteran, Service-Disabled Veteran and People with Disabilities Business Enterprise Programs.

Sincerely.

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Deputy Director, Office of Contract Compliance

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