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Application Open for Minority-Owned Businesses to Join Diverse Business Certification Program

The Oklahoma Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced the launch of the Oklahoma Diverse Business Certification Program. Part of the Oklahoma Supplier Diversity Initiative, the program allows Certified Diverse Business Enterprise firms to be registered with the Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) and provide for simplified vendor registration processes.

“There are so many quality companies in our state and often they don’t know how to make their name, products and services known,” said Brent Kisling, Commerce Executive Director. “State agencies and private businesses often turn to state resources to find qualified companies. Through this certification program and the registered vendor list, we can help connect minority-owned companies to more business opportunities.”

“This initiative will open the door for minority businesses to grow and provide quality products and services that will impact the State of Oklahoma and create true Economic Development for all communities,” said David Castillo, President & CEO, Greater Oklahoma City Hispanic Chamber, and Chair of the Governor’s Minority Business Council.

Interested companies can find more information and complete the Diversity Business Certification Program application at okcommerce.gov/diversebusiness. Commerce will review the application and has the authority to qualify and certify Diverse Business Enterprise companies for the State. Once a company receives certification, its business information will be available at okcommerce.gov/diversebusiness.

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