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MDC Selects Firm to Conduct Minority Business Inclusion Studies

HARTFORD, (June 20, 2008) – Miller 3 Consulting, a firm based in Atlanta, Georgia has been selected by the Metropolitan District (MDC) to conduct minority business inclusion studies, called a Disparity Study. Miller 3 will begin the study immediately, to be completed in early 2009. They were selected from a field of seven nationally recognized consultants with expertise in workforce and business diversity in public capital programs.

The Disparity Study assesses minority and women’s business availability, business utilization, identifies any existing contract award disparity, and recommends actions to create a race-neutral program . It will also identify minority corporations in the Hartford area that potentially could qualify for MDC projects. Working with MDC’s Special Counsel Attorney Franklin Lee from Baltimore, MD, Miller 3 will recommend race and gender neutral approaches to minority and women’s business inclusion in our programs, and assist the MDC to implement programs to meet specified goals.

“Miller 3 has conducted these comprehensive studies for over 20 years in major cities across the United States. Their extensive minority business development experience is vital to ensuring that the MDC creates equitable and legally defensible programs that will benefit residents of the Greater Hartford community” said Adam Cloud, Chairman of MDC Diversity Committee. “We look forward to working with Miller 3 and the community to strengthen our available workforce for our utility projects.”

The MDC is a nonprofit municipal corporation chartered by the Connecticut General Assembly in 1929. The MDC provides water, sewer and household hazardous waste collection services to its member municipalities: Bloomfield, East Hartford, Hartford, Newington, Rocky Hill, West Hartford, Wethersfield and Windsor. In addition, under a series of special agreements, the District supplies treated water to Glastonbury, the southern portion of South Windsor, the eastern portion of Farmington, East Granby and Unionville.

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