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Sage Energy Awarded Maryland Minority Business Enterprise Certification

ANNAPOLIS, MD—October 15, 2013—Sage Energy Consulting, LLC (Sage Energy) is pleased to announce that it has been awarded the Minority Business Enterprise certification (MBE) and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) from The Maryland Department of Transportation's (MDOT) Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE).

Geri Nicholson, owner and president of Sage Energy Consulting, says of her firm's certification, "This opens up new opportunities for Sage Energy, both for us and also for the other consultants and businesses with which we partner. We look forward to the opportunities and relationships that will be developed on the state and local government level as a result of this new certification."

The MBE/DBE certification qualifies Sage Energy (Certification Number: 13-400) to work on projects throughout the State of Maryland in the following disciplines:

- **541611** - Administrative Management and General Management Consulting Services (Specifically: Strategic Planning and Site Selection Consulting Services related to Environmental Sustainability; Energy Procurement Consulting Services)
- **541618** - MBE/DBE- Other Management Consulting Services (Specifically: Utilities Management Consulting Services)
- **541620**- MBE/DBE- Environmental Consulting Services (Specifically: Environmental Consulting Services related to Sustainability, Green Building, Green Business Practices; Energy Efficiency, Climate Change; Energy Program Evaluation; Energy Program Design; Water Conservation; Consult and Evaluate Government Energy Programs; Energy Awareness Marketing Consulting)
- **541690** - MBE/DBE- Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services (Specifically: Energy Consulting Services; Economic Consulting Services related to Green Energy Project Design, Cost, and Implementation; Energy Efficiency Integration; Renewable Energy; Consult and Evaluate Government Energy Programs; Marketing Analysis, Research, Statistical Services, and Feasibility Studies to Develop Energy Efficiency Plans)
- **611699** - MBE/DBE - All Other Miscellaneous Schools and Instruction (Specifically: Providing Courses And Seminars On Topics Related To Energy And Sustainability)

Sage Energy provides state and local government clients with design and evaluation of programs that promote energy efficiency, renewable energy, climate, sustainability and water conservation. Sage Energy is a leading expert in project management and project development to commercial clients providing cost-effective green building solutions. Sage Energy also develops strategies that position its clients for future sustainability, greenhouse gas and energy efficiency standards and regulations. Sage Energy also provides education and training around these core concepts.

Recently, Sage Energy has conducted evaluations of the Maryland Energy Administration's (MEA) Finance, Consumer Education and Renewables programs, aimed at fulfilling MEA's mission to "maximize energy efficiency while promoting economic development..."

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About Sage Energy Consulting:

Founded in 2004, Sage Energy Consulting, LLC specializes in developing successful energy sector strategies that substantially improve the environment and the bottom line for its clients. Sage Energy helps commercial clients exceed their objectives in the areas of energy efficiency, renewable energy, climate change and green building, and advises state and local governments on the implementation and evaluation of energy and water conservation programs. With unparalleled experience in Maryland, Sage Energy offers the unique perspective and experience of drafting regulations and policies, and designing programs to achieve government sector goals and mandates. Sage Energy applies this government sector expertise toward maximizing value for its commercial customers. For more information, go to www.sageenergyconsulting.com