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Board of Commissioners honors U.S. Minority Contractors Association's 23rd Annual Millennium Builders Awards/Banquet

Rev. Larry Bullock, President and Chief Executive Officer of the U.S. Minority Contractors Association (USMCA), attended the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's (MWRD's) Nov. 6 board meeting to accept a resolution from Vice President Barbara McGowan, chairman of the Affirmative Action committee and Commissioner Frank Avila, vice chairman of the Affirmative Action Committee. The USMCA was honored for its 23rd Annual Millennium Builders Awards and Banquet to be held November 13, 2014 at Belvedere Banquets in Elk Grove Village.

"I want to say thank you to the MWRD for your continued support, encouragement and assistance to the Minority Contractors Association," said Rev. Bullock. "It is not often that you find partners like the MWRD. Our relationship is firm and secure, it has a great future, and it is because of this Board that we are now nationwide. It encourages us to find minority contractors and let them know they can partner in the construction industry as well."

The USMCA is a non-profit professional trade association composed of minority-owned and operated businesses located in Chicagoland suburban communities. The organization provides professional, educational, technical and consulting services in numerous industries: construction, environmental, building maintenance, architectural engineering design, hospitality training and general service. It is working to enhance the global position of its members through information technology, accessing capital and marketing each member's niche expertise. USMCA has been a pioneer in recognizing economic contributions of minority business men and women.

"On behalf of the Board, our staff and our executive director, I would like to present this resolution to the Association for their 23rd annual awards and banquet," said Commissioner Avila. "It's very important to have these types of associations."

"The development of minority business enterprises is in the best interests of both the public and private sectors," said Vice President McGowan. "The District continues to advocate for minority communities and businesses, and the USMCA is an exemplary organization that serve this purpose."



In the photo: In the photo (L-R): MWRD Vice President Barbara McGowan, Rev. Larry Bullock, President and Chief Executive Officer of the U.S. Minority Contractors Association (USMCA), MWRD Commissioner Frank Avila and MWRD Senior Diversity Officer Lindsey Gayles during the Nov. 6 board meeting. Vice President McGowan, chairman of the Affirmative Action committee, and Commissioner Avila, vice chairman of the Affirmative Action committee, presented the resolution to Rev. Bullock on behalf of the USMCA which was honored for its 23rd Annual Millennium Builders Awards and Banquet to be held November 13, 2014 at Belvedere Banquets in Elk Grove Village.

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