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Resolution from MWRD recognizes American Contract Compliance Association



Vice President Barbara McGowan with ACCA President Lisa Alexander (l-r), deputy director of the Cook County Government Office of Contract Compliance; State Senator James F. Clayborn, Jr. (57th District-Belleville), and Illinois Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti at the ACCA banquet on Sept. 2.

Celebrating 30 years of service, the American Contract Compliance Association (ACCA) received a warm welcome from the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD).

The MWRD commissioners honored both local and national ACCA leaders with a resolution to commend them on 30 years of providing an advocacy forum in alliance with private and public groups like the MWRD, which shares in ACCA's vision, mission and values.

"In serving the people of Cook County and managing and protecting our water, we deal with many contracts at the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago," said MWRD President Mariyana Spyropoulos. "It's comforting knowing that the American Contract Compliance Association is in place to assure everyone has a fair chance at entering the workplace and helps agencies like ours succeed."

The mission of the ACCA is to deliver ongoing, comprehensive training and certification to practitioners



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) Vice President Barbara McGowan (second from left) and MWRD Diversity Administrator Regina Berry (fourth from left) presented a resolution to Jacqueline Gomez (left), director of the Cook County Government Office of Contract Compliance, ACCA President Lisa Alexander (center), deputy director of the Cook County Government Office of Contract Compliance, and ACCA Central Region Coordinator Tammi Davis (right), director of compliance and policy engagement for the Gary Sanitary and Stormwater Management District.

working within the fields of affirmative action, contract compliance, minority, women, disadvantaged, small and emerging business enterprises, labor compliance, economic and business development, and equal employment opportunity.

"On behalf of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and Board of Commissioners, I am pleased to present this resolution to the American Contract Compliance Association for the wonderful work they do ensuring equitable employment and contracting practices within the public and private sectors," said MWRD Vice President Barbara McGowan, chairman of the MWRD Board of Commissioners' Affirmative Action Committee, who introduced the resolution alongside MWRD Diversity Administrator Regina Berry. "The MWRD supports the ACCA's desire to educate the public on the socio-economic benefits of properly administered affirmative action and other programs that promote women, small and historically (continued)

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under-utilized businesses. We strive to continue attaining the standards set by the ACCA.”

The ACCA promotes uniform standards, professionalism and best practices in the administration of contract compliance programs and offers its members the opportunity to collaborate with other professionals and share information regarding their respective industry trends and technologies that increase effectiveness. To learn more, visit www.accaweb.org.

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Back row (L-R): Gary Gordon, PJ Spencer, Richard L. Martinez, Jr., retiree Lindsey Gayles, Jr., Tia Schrean, Alicia Prentiss Humphries, Melissa Ervin, and Eddie Amin Rasul. In the front (L-R): Carmelita Crenshaw, Vice President Barbara McGowan and Diversity Administrator Regina Berry.

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Established in 1889, the MWRD (www.mwrld.org) is an award-winning, special purpose government agency responsible for wastewater treatment and stormwater management in Cook County, Illinois.