

# SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

CERTIFICATION EXPIRATION DATE: 4/27/2010

The Supplier Clearinghouse for the Utility Supplier Diversity Program of the California Public Utilities Commission hereby certifies that it has audited and verified the eligibility of **VIVA USA, INC.** of **ROLLING MEADOWS, IL** as a **WMBE** pursuant to Commission General Order 156, and the terms and conditions stipulated in the Verification Application Package. This Certificate shall be valid only with the Clearinghouse seal affixed hereto.

Eligibility must be maintained at all times, and renewed within 30 days upon any changes of ownership or control. Failure to comply may result in a denial of eligibility. The Clearinghouse may reconsider certification if it is determined that such status was obtained by false, misleading or incorrect information. Decertification may occur if a verification criterion under which eligibility was awarded later becomes invalid due to Commission ruling. The Clearinghouse may request additional information or conduct on-site visits during the term of verification to verify eligibility.

This certification is valid only for the period that the above named firm remains eligible as determined by the Clearinghouse. Utility companies may direct inquiries concerning this Certificate to the Clearinghouse at (800) 359-7998 in San Francisco.

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**CHS Verification Order Number: 7DN00003**

In accordance with General Order 156, the Supplier Clearinghouse (formerly "WMBE Clearinghouse") has verified and certified your firm as follows:

### WMBE

This status enables your firm to be recognized as a women and/or minority-owned business when competing for procurements by public utilities participating in the Utility Supplier Diversity Program.

Certification is valid for three years with the following conditions:

1. You must notify the Clearinghouse of any change in ownership and/or control of your firm within 30 days of the change. Failure to notify the Clearinghouse violates section 8285 of the Public Utilities Code, which is cited in the application.
2. The Clearinghouse may reconsider your certification status:
  - a. If it is determined that such status was knowingly obtained by false, misleading or incorrect information.
  - b. If, in a formal opinion, the California Public Utilities Commission determines that the WMBE verification criteria under which you were deemed eligible are no longer valid.
3. The Clearinghouse may request additional information or conduct on-site visits at any time during the term of your verification.

If the Clearinghouse has verified you under the Comparable Agency Verification process, your certificate will expire on the same day as that of the comparable agency. Because firms verified by the Clearinghouse are required to submit application forms at least once every three years, we will not certify you for more than three years at a time even if your other agency's certificate is valid for longer than that. Comparable Agency Certification may be used only once. After expiration of the Comparable Agency Certificate, you must submit the full Clearinghouse application package in order to retain your eligibility.

**Please notify us of any change in address so that you will receive renewal notices.**

We wish you success in your future endeavors.

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PROJECT DIRECTOR

*SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE - Administered by ASIAN, Inc. pursuant to PUC General Order 156*

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## Supplemental Information for Businesses Certified through Comparable Agency Verification (CAV)

You have been certified through Comparable Agency Verification, meaning that you have submitted to us a certificate from another approved agency, and we have accepted it without the documentation required for regular Clearinghouse certification. Some special rules apply with regard to the duration of the certification period and the renewal requirements, so please read the following carefully. You may want to keep this sheet for future reference, especially at your next renewal

- **YOUR CAV MUST BE CURRENTLY VALID!** Clearinghouse certification will generally expire on the same day that the comparable agency certification expires (but see the next paragraphs). If you have given us a certificate that is valid for two weeks, we have certified you for two weeks.
- (For SBA 8(a) holders only): Even though the 8(a) certification is valid for nine years, we will give you only three years' worth of certification at a time. At the end of that period you must submit a renewal application as described in the preceding paragraph.
- **Effective September 24, 2004, the Clearinghouse has been directed by the CPUC to implement a new policy with respect to CAVs. We can no longer accept a CAV as a substitute for required documents for Clearinghouse re-verification after THIS certification. If your firm has never submitted the required documents for Clearinghouse verification, you must re-apply and submit a new Verification Application Package including the required documents. However, if your firm previously submitted the required documents and had been Clearinghouse verified, and later changed and became verified through the CAV process, you must submit a Reverification Application and the required documents for re-verification. Any questions, please call the (800) 359-7998.**

The Clearinghouse is happy to provide information and assistance regarding either regular or comparable agency verification. Please call (800) 359-7998.

**PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU MOVE, TELL US YOUR NEW ADDRESS SO THAT WE CAN SEND YOU YOUR RENEWAL NOTICE IN TIME TO AVOID A LAPSE IN CERTIFICATION!**