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Via Email

Chairman Kenneth Battle
Director Thomas J. Smith
South Carolina Commission for Minority Affairs
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RE: Follow up from Subcommittee's December 19, 2017, meeting with the agency

Dear Chairman Battle and Director Smith:

The Economic Development, Transportation, and Natural Resources Subcommittee appreciates the agency's partnership in the oversight process. As discussed at our meeting on December 19, please provide the following information to the Subcommittee by Tuesday, January 16, 2018:

1. A list of South Carolina Micro-Enterprise Network (SCMEN) members.
2. Data on the assistance CMA has provided to businesses over the last three fiscal years, including number of individuals or businesses assisted and number of business plans provided.
3. Additional details about the micro-enterprise success stories cited by CMA representatives in the Subcommittee meeting on December 19, 2017, including type of assistance provided and approximate date.
4. Number of Native American and Hispanic or Latino entrepreneurs assisted by CMA in the last three fiscal years.
5. A list of individuals/consultants who have provided business services through CMA in the last five years.
6. Names of individuals who have been paid to speak at any of the SCMEN conferences, or any other CMA conference in the last five years. Please include the corresponding vendor name and amount paid to each individual.

Thank you for your service to the citizens of South Carolina and for your continued cooperation with the legislative oversight process. We look forward to continuing our discussions of the Commission for Minority Affairs at the next Subcommittee meeting in January.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that appears to read "B. Bannister".

Bruce W. Bannister
Subcommittee Chair

cc: Economic Development, Transportation, and Natural Resources Subcommittee Members