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Mr. Brian Chapman
President
Mill City Environmental Corporation
116 John Street
Lowell, MA 01852

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to inform you that you have been selected by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) as the 2012 Region 1: Minority Small Business Person of the Year.

Your hard work, innovative ideas, and dedication to your community are inspirational. The SBA is pleased to recognize your achievements and your role in driving our nation's economic growth.

The National 8(a) Training, Business Matchmaking, and Awards Ceremony event will highlight the importance of minority entrepreneurs in the American economy. This event recognizes outstanding small business owners for their personal successes and contributions to our nation. As you know, more than half of Americans who work either own or work for a small business.

The SBA has planned a series of events that we hope you will find interesting, educational, and enjoyable. You will soon receive additional information about the National 8(a) Training, Business Matchmaking, and Awards Ceremony event.

As an award winner you are invited to attend the National 8(a) Training, Business Matchmaking, and Awards Ceremony event to be held in Washington, DC, October 10, 2012. This will include a roundtable in the Roosevelt Room of the White House with senior White House officials. Please RSVP to confirm your attendance at that event to Sharon Gurley at sharon.gurley@sba.gov.

Again, congratulations on your selection, and I look forward to meeting you in October.

With warmest regards,



Marie C. Johns