



GLENN HEGAR TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA) administers the Statewide Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program for the State of Texas, which includes certifying minority- and woman-owned businesses as HUBs and is designed to facilitate the participation of minority- and woman-owned businesses in state agency procurement opportunities. The CPA has established Memorandums of Agreement with other organizations that certify minority- and women-owned businesses that meet certification standards as defined by the CPA. The agreements allow for Texas-based minority- and women-owned businesses that are certified with one of our certification partners to become HUB certified through one convenient application process.

In accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement the CPA has established with the Women's Business Enterprise Alliance (WBEA), we are pleased to inform you that your company is now certified as a HUB. Your company's profile is listed in the State of Texas HUB Directory and may be viewed online at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/cmb1/hubonly.html>. Provided that your company continues to remain certified with the WBEA, and they determine that your company continues to meet HUB eligibility requirements, the attached HUB certificate is valid for the time period specified.

You must notify the WBEA in writing of any changes affecting your company's compliance with the HUB eligibility requirements, including changes in ownership, day-to-day management, control and/or principal place of business. Note: Any changes made to your company's information may require the WBEA and/or the HUB Program to re-evaluate your company's eligibility. Failure to remain certified with the WBEA, and/or failure to notify them of any changes affecting your company's compliance with HUB eligibility requirements, may result in the revocation of your company's certification.

Please reference the enclosed pamphlet for additional resources, such as the state's Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL), that can increase your chance of doing business with the state.

Thank you for your participation in the HUB Program! If you have any questions, you may contact a HUB Program representative at 512-463-5872 or toll-free In Texas at 1-888-863-5881.

Texas Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Certificate



Certificate/VID Number: **1760606483400**
File/Vendor Number: **35986**
Approval Date: **19-DEC-2014**
Scheduled Expiration Date: **30-NOV-2016**

In accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement between the
Women's Business Enterprise Alliance (WBEA)
and the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (CPA), the CPA hereby certifies that

WELDING OUTLETS, INC.

has successfully met the established requirements of the State of Texas Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program to be recognized as a HUB. This certificate, printed 16-DEC-2015, supersedes any registration and certificate previously issued by the HUB Program. If there are any changes regarding the information (i.e., business structure, ownership, day-to-day management, operational control, addresses, phone and fax numbers or authorized signatures) provided in the submission of the business' application for registration/certification into the WBEA's program, you must immediately (within 30 days of such changes) notify the WBEA's program in writing. The CPA reserves the right to conduct a compliance review at any time to confirm HUB eligibility. HUB certification may be suspended or revoked upon findings of ineligibility. If your firm ceases to remain certified in the WBEA's program, you must apply and become certified through the State of Texas HUB program to maintain your HUB certification.

*Paul Gibson, Statewide HUB Program Manager
Texas Procurement and Support Services*

Note: In order for State agencies and institutions of higher education (universities) to be credited for utilizing this business as a HUB, they must award payment under the Certificate/VID Number identified above. Agencies and universities are encouraged to validate HUB certification prior to issuing a notice of award by accessing the Internet (<http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/cmb1/cmb1hub.html>) or by contacting the HUB Program at 1-888-863-5881 or 512-463-5872.