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July 24, 2013

Steven L. Mahan Director, Community Development Block Grants Administration City of Milwaukee Room 606 200 East Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mr. Mahan:

As you know, the Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee has been providing contracts management for the Green Jobs Innovation Fund that focuses on developing career pathways in the automotive and solar industry. This letter serves as a formal request to transfer funds from the automotive contract to the solar contract in the amount of \$34,300.

Currently our contract with the CDGA office provides \$330,000 for the automotive piece and \$310,000 for the solar portion of funding that comes from the Department of Labor under the Jobs For the Future program. Boosting the solar contract will provide the necessary support to develop and implement a solar course for credit within the MATC system. The transfer would result in the solar contract totaling \$344,500 and the automotive contract totaling \$295,700.

The Milwaukee effort is guided by the Workforce Alliance and a program workgroup that consists of the program sub-grantees (Milwaukee Area Technical College, the Milwaukee Community Service Corps, and the Foundation of Wisconsin Automobile and Truck

Dealers) along with staff from Urban Strategies and HACM. Both entities and the JFF/DOL staff are both aware of and supportive of the transfer.

We are aware that this change will need to be presented to the Community Development Committee for approval.

We are requesting guidance on next steps in the process. Please contact Ken Barbeau at 414-286-2905 for any additional information.

Sincerely,

/Ken Barbeau

Director of Community Programs & Services