

APPENDIX 8

Marc Pentino, Eastern Regional Office, USCCR, Letter to Gary N. Lee, Director, BCABD,
Mar. 22, 2002



UNITED STATES
COMMISSION ON
CIVIL RIGHTS

624 Ninth Street, N.W.
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March 22, 2002

Mr. Gary N. Lee
Director
Bureau of Contract Administration and Business Development
502 North Office Building
Harrisburg PA 17125

Dear Mr. Lee:

We recently received your December 17, 2001 letter to me, copy to Ki-Taek Chun, director, Eastern Regional Office in response to our October 30, 2001 correspondence to you. Mail reaching Washington has been significantly delayed since September 11, 2001. I am still receiving mail from last Fall and Winter and it was only last week that Ki-Taek Chun received the copy of your December 17th letter. In fact, your letter addressed to me has still not arrived.

The information you provided regarding the number of certification files denied by the board and the Bureau's investigation unit will be incorporated into the Pennsylvania State Advisory Committee report, *Barriers to Minority and Women-Owned Businesses in Pennsylvania*. As you requested, I am enclosing a list of members to the Pennsylvania State Advisory Committee. I am somewhat puzzled by the mention that you did respond to our request regarding the Committee's June 2000 draft report as we have no record of that correspondence. At any rate, we will keep you informed of the upcoming press conference to release the report. If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at 202-376-7533.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marc D. Pentino".

Marc D. Pentino
Civil Rights Analyst
Eastern Regional Office

cc: Les Jin, staff director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
Ki-Taek Chun, director, Eastern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
Gregory C. Santoro, chief counsel, Pennsylvania Department of General Services

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