

January 30, 2014

The Honorable Mark Begich
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Begich:

Acting Administrator Hult has asked me to respond to your recent letter to the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) requesting facilitation and expedited accreditation of a locally based Certified Development Company (CDC) in Alaska.

The SBA is willing to support any CDC application that meets the requirements. Although the Alaska District Office has received a few inquiries in regards to obtaining CDC status, none of these inquiries have resulted in a CDC application submission at present.

The Alaska District Office will continue to encourage all interested parties to pursue CDC status. Please feel free to refer any interested applicants to Mr. Sam Dickey, SBA Anchorage District Office Director, at (907) 271-4844.

We appreciate your support of SBA and the Alaska small business community. If you or your staff have any further questions, please contact the SBA Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs at (202) 205-6700.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie Mehlum
Associate Administrator
Office of Capital Access

cc: Sam Dickey, SBA Anchorage District Office Director