

SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

CERTIFICATION EXPIRATION DATE: 11/11/2008

The Supplier Clearinghouse for the Utility Supplier Diversity Program of the California Public Utilities Commission hereby certifies that it has audited and verified the eligibility of **SMEAD MANUFACTURING CO (THE)** of **HASTINGS, MN** as a **WBE** pursuant to Commission General Order 156, and the terms and conditions stipulated in the Verification Application Package. This Certificate shall be valid only with the Clearinghouse seal affixed hereto.

Eligibility must be maintained at all times, and renewed within 30 days upon any changes of ownership or control. Failure to comply may result in a denial of eligibility. The Clearinghouse may reconsider certification if it is determined that such status was obtained by false, misleading or incorrect information. Decertification may occur if a verification criterion under which eligibility was awarded later becomes invalid due to Commission ruling. The Clearinghouse may request additional information or conduct on-site visits during the term of verification to verify eligibility.

This certification is valid only for the period that the above named firm remains eligible as determined by the Clearinghouse. Utility companies may direct inquiries concerning this Certificate to the Clearinghouse at (800) 359-7998 in San Francisco.

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