

New York State Department of Economic Development Division of Minority and Women's Business Development

In the matter of the appeal of

## KRMC, Inc. dba Mac-Son Industrial Services, Inc.

FINAL ORDER 23-10

From a denial of certification as a Woman-owned Business Enterprise pursuant to Executive Law Article 15-A.

This order arises from an administrative appeal brought on behalf of KRMC, Inc. dba Mac-Son Industrial Services, Inc. ("KRMC" or "Appellant") pursuant to section 144.2 of title 5 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations. Appellant seeks reversal of the decision of the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development (the "Division"), dated November 30, 2021, to deny KRMC's April 30, 2019, certification application as a Woman-owned Business Enterprise ("WBE").

Applicant submitted a written appeal request form and letter, dated December 30, 2021. The Division submitted its response to the appeal, dated June 29, 2023, together with the affidavit of Glenn Butler, Assistant Certification Director, dated June 29, 2023. Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") David A. Murad presided over the appeal. The issues on appeal were whether the woman owner relied upon for certification (1) shared in the risks and profits in proportion to their ownership interest in the business enterprise, as required by 5 NYCRR § 144.2(b)(3); (2) possessed adequate, industry-specific competence to make critical business decisions without relying upon other persons, as required by 5 NYCRR §144.2(c)(1); and (3) made operational decisions on a day-to-day basis with respect to the critical functions of the business enterprise, as required by 5 NYCRR § 144.2(c)(2).

On October 3, 2023, the Division received a Recommended Order from Judge Murad that recommended affirmation of the Division's denial of the application to certify Appellant as a WBE on the ground set forth in the Division's November 30, 2021, denial letter.

After considering the appeal record, I accept the recommendation of the Administrative Law Judge as it pertains to the facts of this case. Incorporation by reference is hereby made with respect to the findings and conclusions of the Recommended Order.

It is hereby **ORDERED** that the decision to deny certification, dated November 30, 2021, is affirmed. Accordingly, KRMC will not be listed on the Division's directory for Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises.

October 30, 2023

Jason Clark, EVP and Executive Director Division of Minority and Women's Business Development