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Oakland County Employment Diversity Council

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Dear Presenters:

The Oakland County Employment Diversity Council (OCEDC) is a nonprofit alliance of over 300 organizations involved in assisting businesses to manage their diversity efforts and to improve business performance. OCEDC advocates best workplace diversity practices through research and interaction within our membership and businesses across Oakland County and Southeast Michigan.

OCEDC is hosting our 8th Annual Diversity Conference at The Met Hotel (former Troy Hilton), on Friday April 22, 2010. The title of the event this year is “**Taking Diversity & Inclusion to the Next Level: Practical and Fair Application**”

The conference objective is to provide attendees with up to date information regarding **How to Take Diversity and Inclusion To The Next Level**. Attendees will have the opportunity to network and learn Diversity and Inclusion Strategies and “Best Practices” from top companies and experts. This event offers specific techniques and assistance for the individual within businesses of all sizes to better understand the different approaches and techniques that are utilized to elevate your diversity and inclusion efforts to the next level of fair and practical application.

We are looking for speakers who can present on a wide range of diversity related topics that fit within our broad theme.

Proposed discussion topics include:

- Gaining Top Management Support for Diversity Programs
- Cultural Disability Readiness
- Engaging White, Brown and Black Men in “Diversity & Inclusion”
- People with Disabilities in the Workplace – The Employers Perspective
- How Do Younger and Older Workers Coexist in the Workplace
- Starting and Implementing a Diversity Program
- Building Practitioner Competence in Leading Diversity & Inclusion
- Developing an Inclusive Work Environment for Sexual & Gender Minorities
- The Role Diversity & Inclusion Plays in Corporate Social Responsibility
- Confronting Diversity Backlash

I have accepted the role of securing presenters for this 8th Annual Diversity Conference. If you interested, please download the attached word document and return to me by March 15, 2010. The Committee will be meeting during the week of March 15 through 20 to decide which presenters will be selected, and I will personally notify all prospective presenters by April 1, 2010 in regard to the status of their proposal.

Sincerely,

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