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State and Consumer Services Agency Secretary Rosario Marin to sign historic document to promote California small business

MOU between the State of California, the County of Sacramento and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency will bolster California's Small Business Economy

When:

Friday, October 19, 2007
11:00 a.m.

Where:

Department of General Services (**The Ziggurat**)
707 3rd Street
West Sacramento, CA

What:

The California Department of General Services, the County of Sacramento and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) will sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), promoting reciprocal small business certification at the October 19, 2007 at the Sacramento Regional Connecting Point Conference in Sacramento. The agreement streamlines paperwork for small businesses to be eligible for contracting process of all entities.

Photo opportunities and interviews will be available.

Who:

Rosario Marin, Secretary, State and Consumer Services Agency

Will Bush, Director, DGS

Representatives from the County of Sacramento and Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency

California small business owners and representatives

About DGS:

The Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Certification Programs were established to increase business opportunities for the DVBE and SB communities with the State of California; thereby stimulating the state's overall economy. The programs are designed to help DVBEs and SBs participate in a more level playing field with certain advantages when competing against other non-DVBEs and non-SBs for state contracts and purchases.