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## CAROLINAS-VIRGINIA MINORITY SUPPLIER DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PROMOTES MARJILETTE BROWN TO DIRECTOR OF CERTIFICATION

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – In September 2018, the Carolinas-Virginia Minority Supplier Development Council will name Marjilette Brown as its new Director of Certification, a promotion from her current role as manager of certification, which she has held since 2015. Brown's previous management and supervision duties include serving on the National Minority Supplier Development Council Technical Advisory Certification Committee; training NMSDC affiliate presidents and certification staffers on certification best practices; and managing the certification process for Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and corporate end-users throughout North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.

Brown said: "Serving as Director of Certification allows me to step into a role of leadership that gives me the platform to initiate, develop and implement processes that add value to the certification process. My role as Director also will allow me to more actively participate in the development of MBEs and manage national initiatives that provide more value to our corporate partners."

Brown began working in business certification with the Virginia Minority Supplier Development Council in 2012 and transitioned to CVMSDC in 2013 as the certification specialist. She was promoted to certification manager in 2015. Brown said: "CVMSDC certification opens up a world of endless opportunities for our MBEs. It is the key that opens the door to growth for their businesses. Through certification with CVMSDC, MBEs have access to corporate supplier diversity champions, buyers and procurement professionals through our events and corporate services introductions."

CVMSDC President Dominique Milton said, "If you have gone through the certification process as an MBE or sought access to our database as a Corporate Partner, you have interacted with Marjilette Brown. The value that Marjilette brings to our CVMSDC team is immeasurable, and we are proud of her growth into this leadership role."

## About the Council

The Carolinas-Virginia Minority Supplier Development Council is one of 23 regional affiliate councils of the National Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC). The Council is a membership organization of major corporations, financial institutions, government agencies and universities that operate within North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. The Carolinas-Virginia MSDC is a non-profit corporation chartered to enhance business opportunities for minority-owned companies by providing support through developing mutually beneficial networking opportunities with corporate members and promoting minority business development. For more information, visit online at www.cvmsdc.org.