

# press release

## McCloud Transportation & Associates, LLC wins DBE certification throughout Florida

Certification gives firm maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of federally funded construction and professional services contracts

**Tampa, FL. (November 2010)** -The Hillsborough County Aviation Authority announced that McCloud Transportation & Associates, LLC has been certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) in Florida, under the Unified Certification Program (UCP). Effective October 27, 2009, the firm is DBE certified by all 42 Florida UCP members, which includes the counties of Broward, Miami-Dade; the cities of Tallahassee, St. Petersburg; Florida Department of Transportation; the airport authorities of Orlando, Hillsborough, St. Petersburg/Clearwater, Jacksonville, and the transit agencies of Hillsborough, Pinellas, and Sarasota-- to name a few.

The firm is now listed in Florida's DBE Directory, which can be found at the Florida Department of Transportation's website; [www.dot.state.fl.us/equalopportunityoffice](http://www.dot.state.fl.us/equalopportunityoffice). DBE certification enables McCloud Transportation to compete for, and perform contract work on all United States Department of Transportation federal aid projects in Florida as a DBE contractor, sub-contractor, sub-consultant, or consultant. In addition, the firm can work on projects for the Federal Aviation Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, and the Federal Highway Administration.

McCloud Transportation is a consulting firm that specializes in operations planning and transportation management, and helps mass transit systems throughout the United States enhance mobility for their customers. "Clearly, as a small business that is owned and controlled by a woman and a minority, we are excited about having the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of federally funded contracts," says Elaine R. McCloud, president and chief executive officer for McCloud Transportation. For more information, visit [www.mccloudtrans.com](http://www.mccloudtrans.com) or call (813) 300-5853.