

April 15, 2014

To: Harold Charles, CEO, CEEPCO

RE: NOMINATION- 2014 Global Economic Development Change Maker Award /HRA2014 Caribbean Business & Investment Expo and Conference

Dear Mr. Charles,

On behalf of HRA and our board of directors, we are proud to announce that you have been selected as our **2014 Global Economic Development Change Maker** for your business innovation in promoting economic growth through engineering and infrastructure development in the Caribbean. The award will be presented at the **HRA VIP Investment Gala** on Saturday, June 7th from 7:00 PM – 11:00PM as part of the closing program for the 5th Annual HRA Business Investment Expo and Conference-Caribbean Edition. In honor of Caribbean Heritage Month, this Caribbean Expo program entitled "The Caribbean: Beyond Sun, Sand & Sea - Strengthening Trade among Caribbean Nations" will focus largely on fostering inter-commerce in the Caribbean including exploring investment opportunities with Latin America, US and the Caribbean Diasporas for economic development of the region. The Expo is scheduled from June 5-7, 2014 at the **Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC, USA.** June 5th from 7:00 PM – 11:00PM.

About HRA's Alliance Institute for Business Innovation Award

The HRA Business Investment Expo & Conference, now in its 5th edition promoting business development & investment, has established itself as the premier and the largest Diaspora network event gathering high profile government officials, private sector, investors, NGOs, bankers, funders, entrepreneurs to discuss investment opportunities, form partnerships, share experiences, knowledge, passion and commitment to promoting sustainable development in developing markets. The award was created to acknowledge innovative businesses and organizations promoting economic development through direct investments in the Caribbean. We honor these global development leaders from the private and public sector during our VIP closing event. Past recipients included: Gilbert Hippolyte, Panexus, Dr. Kit Miyamoto, Miyamoto International, Chad W. Bissonnette, Roots of Development, and the Embassy of the Republic of Haiti.

We are grateful for your work in Haiti and the U.S. along with your activities across the globe. It is with pleasure that we honor your work and achievements. A **press release announcing the inductees will be sent May 5**th.

We appreciate a response **as soon as possible but no later than April 25th** regarding your participation at this event. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at **magalie.emile@gmail.com or call at 240.425.3438**. You can also visit us at <u>www.hraexpo.org</u> for additional information regarding sponsorship.

Thank you in advance for these considerations and we look forward to your response.

Best regards, Magalie Émile-Backer

Dr. Magalie Emile-Backer, PharmD Co-founder/VP Program Development