



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FUND  
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RE: Notice of CDE Certification  
Control Number of Applicant CDE: 04NMC001844

Dear Mr. Hardy:

I am pleased to inform you that the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund of the United States Department of the Treasury (the "Fund") hereby certifies Playaz and Playettes, Inc. (04NMC001844) as a Community Development Entity (a "CDE"). This letter officially documents the organization's certification as a CDE and sets forth the terms under which the certification is granted.

Certification as a CDE means that an organization meets the CDE eligibility requirements set forth in the statute governing the NMTC Program and the Fund's CDE Certification Guidance document (Federal Register Vol. 66, No. 245). These requirements state that a CDE must be a legal entity; must demonstrate a primary mission of serving, or providing investment capital for, low-income communities or low-income persons; and must maintain accountability to low-income communities through their representation on a governing board of, or advisory board(s) to, the CDE.

For your information, the Fund has determined that your organization's accountability is to low-income communities in the following service area: **Local - Caddo Parish in LOUISIANA.**

This determination was based on the Fund's assessment of governing or advisory board members and their accountability to residents of the low-income communities in that service area. If your organization wishes to expand the service area in the future, it may do so by expanding its board representation to include accountability to the expanded area, and submitting a request to the Fund.

Certification does not constitute an opinion by the Fund as to the effectiveness or financial viability of the certified organization. Certification status may be reviewed from time to time, as deemed appropriate by the Fund, for any CDE, to ensure that the organization meets the CDFI Fund's applicable CDE certification criteria. Thus, the Fund may ask a certified organization to submit information demonstrating its continued compliance with the applicable CDE eligibility requirements. The certification conferred by this letter will be effective indefinitely unless, as a result of a review of the organization by the Fund, the Fund, in its sole discretion, decides to end the certification on an earlier date.

Congratulations on being certified as a CDE. Thank you for taking the time to participate in the certification review, and for your continued interest in the NMTC Program.

Sincerely,

Linda Davenport  
Deputy Director For Policy and Programs