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The Honorable Rick Scott, Governor State of Florida The Capitol 400 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Governor Scott:

Pursuant to section 20.058, Florida Statutes, the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) is providing this report on its direct support organization, The Florida Concrete Masonry Education Council, Inc. (the Council). The Council was created by chapter 2014-175, Laws of Florida, effective July 1, 2014, as a Florida nonprofit corporation to conduct activities related to and in support of concrete masonry education.

At this point in time, while the Council is not fully established and operational, actions are being taken to implement statutory requirements for the Council. The Council's articles of incorporation have been reviewed and approved by DEO and filed with the Secretary of State. The names of applicants for appointment to the Council board of directors have been submitted to the Appointments Office of the Executive Office of the Governor and draft bylaws have been submitted for DEO's review and approval. Under the statute creating the Council, the deadline for adopting its bylaws is September 30, 2014. As required by statute, DEO has provided to Council representatives a proposed agreement to be entered into between DEO and the Council which sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Council will operate.

Information provided in compliance with section 20.058(1), Florida Statutes, is as follows:

- (a) Name, mailing address, and telephone number, and web site address: The Florida Concrete Masonry Education Council, Inc., 6353 Lee Vista Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32822, (561) 239-2462, www.floridamasonrycouncil.org (not yet functional).
- (b) Statutory Authority: Section 446.53, Florida Statutes
- (c) Mission description and results: To organize and bring together producers in Florida that manufacture concrete masonry products and others associated with masonry contracting and

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workforce education in order to plan, implement, conduct and coordinate educational and job training programs for individuals interested in the field of concrete masonry, and to serve as an educational resource for information on concrete masonry to the public and governmental bodies. The Council has not yet operated and therefore no results are currently available.

- (d) A description of plans of the organization for the next 3 fiscal years: This description has not yet been developed.
- (e) A copy of the Council's code of ethics: A draft code of ethics has been developed for the review of DEO and approval by the Council's board of directors.
- (f) A copy of the Council's most recent federal Internal Revenue Service Return: The Council has not yet been required to file an IRS Form 990.

The Department will make a recommendation with supporting rationale, to continue, terminate, or modify DEO's association with the Council by August 15, 2015, after a year of the Council reporting to DEO as a direct support organization.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

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Sincerely

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