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Our Mission:

To increase purchases of goods and services by large companies and Government entities from Minority-Owned, Women-Owned, HUB-Zone, and Service Disabled Veteran businesses

USDC 2010 Goals

May 2010

President's Message

Dear Utah Supplier Development Council (USDC) Members,

Economic Update – Recently, Utah economists have said that consumer spending is on the increase. This is good news for the Utah economy, where our unemployment rate rests at 7.8%. Consumer spending means that business inventories will have to be replenished, and this means increased demand for suppliers' products and services. Other economic indicators are on the rise, e.g., home sales along the Wasatch Front were up dramatically in the first quarter of 2010 – home sales rose by 15% and condo sales by 26%. Hope is on the horizon!

For the May USDC meeting, we have a surprise in store for you!!! The USDC board has come up with something never before tried – "Tweeting in Person" – an ingenious, innovative, networking game that will generate ideas for business adventure!!! Upon arrival on Thursday, May 13, USDC members will be seated at one of five tables of eight – according to your name tag. A facilitator will start with a scenario of questions. USDC members will then have 15 minutes to "tweet" short, informative, quick comments. A bell/whistle will sound indicating that the tweeting is over and USDC members will move to the next table. After the three "tweets" there will be a three minute summary from the facilitator on what they observed. The five tables are 1) Manufacturing, 2) Logistics, 3) Financial, 4) Owner/Employee, and 5) TBD.

This is sure to be an exciting new, high energy, idea generating event that you will NOT want to miss! The ambience will "knock your socks off" because we are holding our "Tweeting in Person" meeting at the beautiful McCune Mansion on the avenues of Salt Lake City.

When: Thursday, May 13, 2010
Where: McCune Mansion (200 North Main, SLC)
Time: 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Lunch will be provided and is free for all USDC associate and major members (one free lunch per membership). \$15.00 for additional members and guests. Please RSVP by Thursday, May 6, 2010 at our website: www.usdcutah.org or by contacting Randi Ruff at ruff@purchasing.utah.edu, 801-581-7450.

Best Regards,

Chuck Spence, USDC President