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Arrieta Construction, HRSBDC NxLevel Graduate, Named to Fortune 500 of Hispanic Owned Businesses

HAMPTON, VA – JULY 30, 2010 — *Arrieta Construction, owned by Elaine Arrieta, has been named to the “Fortune 500” list of Hispanic Owned Businesses. Ms. Arrieta stated that “Arrieta Construction, Inc. is a small, woman-owned, Bi-Lingual, SWAM Certified, Class A General/Electrical & Mechanical Contractor. We specialize in Federal/Commercial/Residential construction and restoration services as well as design/build. Our goal is to expand the economic development of the Hampton Roads area by employing qualified individuals in the industry who will abide by both the company’s comprehensive safety policy in addition to adhering to OSHA safety regulations.”*

Elaine contributes much of the company’s success as the result of taking advantage of the many services and resources offered through the Hampton Roads Small Business Development Center(HRSBDC), located at The Thomas Nelson Community College, Peninsula Workforce Development Center. Elaine just recently completed the writing of a business plan through the NxLevel Entrepreneur’s Course, offered March 8, 2010 through June 14, 2010, by the HRSBDC. She stated, “The NxLevel for Entrepreneurs course administered thru the SBDC has been a vital part of creating my business plan. My business plan will, without a doubt, be an essential tool in tracking the continued growth of my business and will be used as my future “ladder for success”. In addition, the speakers, resources, materials & contacts provided by the SBDC are extremely valuable.”

The HRSBDC is a non-profit business program, sponsored by the Small Business Administration, Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce and Thomas Nelson Community College; it serves as part of the VSBDC Network which is directed by George Mason University.

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