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Small Business Enterprise Participation

The Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program is an element of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26.39. As such, the requirements of this contract establish affirmative efforts to utilize SBE certified firms on construction projects. No preference will be included in the evaluation of Bids/Proposals. No minimum level of SBE participation shall be required as a Condition of Award and Bids/Proposals may not be rejected or considered non-responsive on that basis.

Voluntary SBE Goals

A voluntary goal amount of ten percent of the Contract bid amount is established.

The goal is voluntary, but achievement of the goal is encouraged. No preference will be included in the evaluation of bids/proposals. Bidders may contact the Washington State Office of Minority and Women’s Business Enterprises (OMWBE) at 360-664-9750 or visit www.omwbe.wa.gov to obtain information on certified SBE firms.

Required SBE Participation Plan

The Contractor shall submit a SBE Participation Plan prior to commencing contract work. Although the goal is voluntary, the outreach efforts to provide SBE maximum practicable opportunities are not.

For SBE Participation Plan Drafting Guidelines, please visit:

www.wsdot.wa.gov/equalopportunity.

Required SBE Reporting

The Prime Contractor shall submit all payments made to SBEs on their Monthly Report of Amounts Credited as DBE Participation to the Project Engineer each month between Execution of the Contract and Physical Completion of the Contract using the application available at:
<https://remoteapps.wsdot.wa.gov/mapsdata/tools/dbeparticipation/>.

Definitions

Regardless of race or gender, a SBE is one certified by OMWBE as such, where the firm’s:

- Three year averaged gross receipts are less than \$22.41 million dollars, with smaller industry standards applicable
- Is at least 51% owned and controlled by an individual or individuals with a personal net worth less than \$1.32 million dollars
- A Micro Small Business Enterprise is a firm certified as an SBE with average gross receipts for three years less than one million dollars