Sacramento Regional Transit District Disadvantaged Business Enterprise POLICY STATEMENT

Section 26.1, 26.23 Objectives/Policy Statement

The Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 26. As a recipient of Federal financial assistance from the DOT, SacRT has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of SacRT to ensure that DBEs as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. The objectives of this DBE Program are to:

- 1. Ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
- 2. Create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
- 3. Ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
- 4. Ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
- 5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT-assisted contracts;
- 6. Promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally-assisted contracts and procurement activities conducted by SacRT;
- Assist in the development of firms to compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program;
- 8. Administer the DBE Program in close coordination with the various departments within SacRT so as to facilitate the successful implementation of the DBE Program.

SacRT has a DBE Liaison Officer (DBELO) who is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program has the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by SacRT in its financial assistance agreements with the DOT.

The complete DBE Program is available for review at SacRT's website:

http://www.sacrt.com/procurement/dbe.aspx

SacRT will disseminate via email and employee intranet this policy statement to the Sacramento Regional Transit District Board of Directors and all areas of the SacRT organization. This policy statement will also be disseminated electronically via email and through SacRT's PlanetBids eProcurement system to members of the DBE and non-DBE business community that perform or are interested in performing work on SacRT DOT-assisted contracts, and to local business chambers, and local business associations (both DBE and non-DBE), and minority and women's organizations.

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