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Supplemental Letter for FY 2013 Semi-Annual HUB Report for Agency No. 601

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) supports and advocates the participation of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) in procurement opportunities with the department. Toward this end, we have a multi-faceted on-going outreach program that targets HUBs and encourages them to do business with our agency. The Good Faith Efforts (GFE) listed below offer evidence of our commitment to this endeavor. The following activities occurred during the reporting period of September 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013:

- TxDOT staff participated in 14 Equal Opportunity Forums for small businesses and HUB companies.
- To date, TxDOT has scheduled four (4) Small Business Briefings (SBB) for FY2013: Corpus Christi (November 15, 2012), Arlington (March 20, 2013), Lubbock (April 23, 2013) and tentatively Tyler (June 11, 2013). The Corpus Christi SBB garnered approximately 70 participants. The Arlington SBB garnered approximately 198 participants. TxDOT's SBBs give small and minority businesses an opportunity to participate in business development workshops, a contract bid opportunity showcase, industry breakout sessions and network with TxDOT district purchasers, contract managers, prime contractors, as well as various federal, state, local government agencies, and corporate representatives.
- The Technical Assistance Program (TAP) offers training and technical assistance to certified Disadvantage Business Enterprises (DBEs) in a variety of business-related areas designed to complement and enhance business skills of DBEs with goals of increasing the number of minority contractors bidding and performing on TxDOT highway construction contracts. DBE firms participating in the TAP Program are also eligible for HUB certification. FY 2013 results for the TAP Program are:

55	Requests submitted
5	Provider companies participating
31	Clients (DBE companies) assisted
730	Hours of training provided
\$79,736.00	Total dollars in training provided

- The Learning Information Networking and Collaboration (LINC) Program is a business mentoring program in which TxDOT is the mentor to businesses interested in bidding and performing on TxDOT contracts. The goal of the program is to prepare these businesses through training to bid and perform on TxDOT projects and to introduce them to TxDOT staff and prime contractors.
- The Texas Business Opportunity and Development (TBOD) Program provides construction and business development training for DBEs certified in the highway construction. DBE firms participating in the TBOD Program are also eligible for HUB certification.



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