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Office of Purchasing

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMARY FOR FY2015 ANNUAL HUB REPORT FOR AGENCY 761

Texas A&M International University (TAMIU) remains committed to providing procurement and contracting opportunities for minority and women-owned businesses. The University continues fostering an environment that enhances Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB) participation and supports the State of Texas HUB Program.

Fiscal Year 2015 outreach efforts for TAMIU include:

September 22, 2014	TOAL 2014 Annual Meeting and Exposition HUB Fair, Waco, TX
October 30, 2014	SFA Fall 2014 Vendor Fair, Nacogdoches, TX
December 9, 2014	TAMUS HUB Coordinators Meeting, San Antonio, TX
December 10, 2014	SMWVBO 2014 Bexar County Contracting Conference, San Antonio, TX
February 19, 2015	2015 Procurement Connection Seminar and Expo, Beaumont, TX
May 11-12, 2015	2015 Doing Business Texas Style Spot Bid Fair, Irving, TX
July 29, 2015	2015 Procurement Connection Seminar & Expo, Austin, TX

TAMIU continues to maintain a proactive program to support and promote HUB awareness through contact with University department staff. The Procurement Card Training continues to focus in large part on instructing cardholders on what a HUB is, the importance of allowing HUBs to bid/contract for goods/services and how to effectively search for them on the CMBL. Buyers also continue to communicate with departments on the importance of doing business with HUBs. Our Purchasing website is continuously being updated with new HUB vendor information to make it easier for departments to find a HUB they can use for common purchases. The Purchasing Department has also taken a more active role in reaching out to new HUB vendors in order to expand our vendor base.

We continually explore ways to increase our level of HUB utilization through peer networking. In addition, we continue to work closely with other State agencies to identify new HUB vendors, and actively participate in economic forums to increase our opportunities with minority and women-owned businesses. We will continue to work on identifying non-certified HUB vendors currently used by TAMIU to then encourage and aid them in the process of becoming certified HUBs. We believe our good faith efforts have been successful in building our HUB volume. TAMIU has proudly taken an active ownership in the program. We will continue to work diligently to encourage and promote the opportunities the program makes possible.

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