

These instructions shall be included with each bid solicitation.

City of Greenville/Greenville Utilities Commission Minority and Women Business Enterprise Program

MWBE Guidelines for Professional Service Contracts \$50,000 and above

Policy Statement

It is the policy of the City of Greenville and Greenville Utilities Commission to provide minorities and women equal opportunity for participating in all aspects of the City's and Utilities' contracting and procurement programs, including but not limited to, construction projects, supplies and materials purchases, and professional and personal service contracts.

Goals and Good Faith Efforts

Service providers responding to this solicitation shall comply with the MWBE program by making Good Faith Efforts to achieve the following aspirational goals for participation.

	CITY		
	MBE	WBE	
Professional Services	4%	4%	

Submitters shall submit MWBE information with their submissions on the forms provided. This information will be subject to verification by the City prior to contract award. <u>As of July 1, 2009, contractors,</u> <u>subcontractors, suppliers, service providers, or MWBE members of joint ventures intended to satisfy City</u> <u>MWBE goals shall be certified by the NC Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses (NC HUB) only.</u> Firms qualifying as "WBE" for the City's goals must be designated as a "women-owned business" by the HUB Office. Firms qualifying as "MBE" for the City's goals must be certified in one of the other categories (i.e.: Black, Hispanic, Asian American, American Indian, Disabled, or Socially and Economically Disadvantaged). According to new Statewide Uniform Certification (SWUC) Guidelines, ethnicity supersedes gender; therefore, firms who are certified as both a "WBE" and "MBE" will satisfy the "MBE" category only. <u>Each goal must be met</u> <u>separately. Exceeding one goal does not satisfy requirements for the other.</u>

The City shall accept NCDOT certified firms on federally funded projects only.

Please note: A service provider may utilize any firm desired. However, for participation purposes, all MWBE firms who wish to do business *as a minority* must be certified by NC HUB. A complete database of NC HUB certified firms may be found at <u>http://www.doa.nc.gov/hub/</u>

Instructions

The submitter shall provide the following forms:

□ FORM 1—Sub-Service Provider Utilization Plan

This form provides the amount of sub-contracted work proposed for the project and subsequent task orders for MWBE firms according to needed discipline and anticipated task order. This proposed participation is based on the current scope of work for each anticipated task and discipline required. <u>Submitter must turn in this form with submission</u>. If the submitter does not customarily subcontract elements of this type of project, do not complete this form. Instead complete FORM 2.

□ FORM 2--Statement of Intent to Perform work without Sub-Service Providers This form provides that the submitter does not customarily subcontract work on this type of project.

□ Sub-Service Provider Utilization Commitment

Submitted by the selected service provider for each task order, this form lists the MWBE firms committed to participate on this order. This commitment will reflect any changes in the Plan due to adjustments in project scope.

NOTE: A firm is expected to maintain the level of participation listed in FORM 1 for each task order and firm used to satisfy required discipline in the – Sub-Service Provider Utilization Plan – <u>unless there is a negotiated change in the service required by the City</u>. A firm is also encouraged to increase MWBE participation in the Utilization Commitment as a result of ongoing Good Faith Efforts.

□ Proof of Payment Certification

Proof of payment must be submitted by the selected service provider with each payment application, listing payments made to sub-consultants. <u>This form is not provided with the submission.</u>

In addition to the forms provided above, each service provider must provide a discussion of its diverse business policies and procedures to include the good faith efforts it employed to utilize minority and women-owned firms on this project. This discussion must include:

- 1. Outreach efforts that were employed by the firm to maximize the utilization of MWBE's.
- 2. A history of MWBE firms used on similar projects; and
- 3. The percentage participation of MWBE firms on these projects.

NOTE: Those service providers submitting FORM 2 should discuss and provide documentation to justify 100% performance without the use of sub-consultants (both majority and minority) per the statements of the form.

Minimum Compliance Requirements: All written statements, signed forms, or intentions made by the Submitter shall become a part of the agreement between the Submitter and the City for performance of contracts. Failure to comply with any of these statements, signed forms, or intentions or with the minority business guidelines shall constitute a breach of the contract. A finding by the City that any information submitted (either prior to award of the contract or during the performance of the contract) is inaccurate, false, or incomplete, shall also constitute a breach of the contract. Any such breach may result in termination of the contract in accordance with the termination provisions contained in the contract. It shall be solely at the option of the City whether to terminate the contract for breach or not. In determining whether a Submitter has made Good Faith Efforts, the City will evaluate all efforts made by the Submitter and will determine compliance in regard to quantity, intensity, and results of these efforts.

Sub-Service Provider Utilization Plan FORM 1

(Must be included with submission if subcontracting any portion of work)

We ______, (Company Name)

will seek to contract with certified MBE firms and WBE firms as task orders permit through this contract.

Name, Address, & Phone Number of Sub- Service Provider	*MWBE Category	Work description

*Minority categories: Black, African American (B), Hispanic or Latino (L), Asian American (A) American Indian (I), Female (F) Socially and Economically Disadvantaged (S) Disabled (D)

The undersigned intends to enter into a formal agreement with MWBE firms for work listed in this schedule conditional upon execution of a contract with the current scope proposed by the Owner.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read the terms of this agreement and is authorized to bind the submitter to the agreement herein set forth.

Date:

Name & Title of Authorized Representative_____

Signature of Authorized Representative

Statement of Intent to Perform work without **Sub-Service Providers** FORM 2

(Must be included with submission if not subcontracting any portion of work)

_____, hereby certify that it is our

intent to perform <u>100% of the work required</u> for the contract.

(Project Name)

In making this certification, the Proposer states the following:

i. It is a normal and customary practice of the Proposer to perform all elements of this type of contract with its own workforce and without the use of sub-consultants. The Proposer has substantiated this by providing documentation of at least three (3) other projects within the last five (5) years on which they have done so.

□ Check box to indicate documentation is attached.

ii. The Proposer has a valid business reason for self-performing all work on the Contract as opposed to subcontracting with a MWBE. The Proposal must describe the valid business reason for self-performing, and the Proposer must submit with its Bid or Proposal documentation sufficient to demonstrate to the Authority reasonable satisfaction the validity of such assertions.

Check box to indicate documentation is attached.

iii. If it should become necessary to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date, the Proposer will notify the City and institute good faith efforts to comply with all requirements of the MWBE program in providing equal opportunities to MWBEs to subcontract the work. The firm will also submit a Request to Change MWBE Participation Form (even if the final sub-consultant is not MWBE).

The undersigned hereby certifies that he or she has read the terms of this certification and is authorized to bind the Proposer in accordance herewith.

Date:

Name & Title of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

Sub-Service Provider Utilization Commitment

(Must be submitted with each task order)

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(Company Name)

_____ we will expend a minimum of _____%

(Project Name)

of the total dollar amount of the contract with certified MBE firms and a minimum of _____% of the total

dollar amount of the work with WBE.

Name, Address, & Phone Number of Sub- Service Provider	*MWBE Category	Work description	% of Work

*Minority categories: Black, African American (**B**), Hispanic or Latino (**L**), Asian American (**A**) American Indian (**I**), Female (**F**) Socially and Economically Disadvantaged (**S**) Disabled (**D**)

The undersigned will enter into a formal agreement with MWBE firms for work listed in this schedule. Failure to fulfill this commitment may constitute a breach of contract.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read the terms of this commitment and is authorized to bind the submitter to the commitment herein set forth.

Date:

Name & Title of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

REQUEST TO CHANGE MWBE PARTICIPATION

	to award letter, continuing through project completion.)
Project:	
Bidder or Prime Consultant:	
Name & Title of Authorized Representative:	
Address:	Phone #:
	Email Address:
Original Total Contract Amount: \$	
Total Contract Amount (including approved chan	ge orders or amendments): \$
Will this request change the dollar amount of the	contract? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No
If yes, give the total contract amount including ch	nange orders and proposed change: \$
The proposed request will do the following to over	erall MWBE participation (please check one):
☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ No Change	
Name of sub-consultant:	
Service provided:	
Proposed Action:	
Replace sub-consultant Perform work in-house	
For the above actions, you must provide one of the	e following reasons (Please check applicable reason):
The listed MBE/WBE, after having had a rea written contract.	sonable opportunity to do so, fails or refuses to execute a
The listed MBE/WBE is bankrupt or insolven	ıt.
The listed MBE/WBE fails or refuses to perfo	orm his/her subcontract or furnish the listed materials.
	ant is unsatisfactory according to industry standards and is not or the sub-consultant is substantially delaying or disrupting the

If <u>replacing</u> sub-consultant:	
Name of replacement sub-consultant:	
Is the sub-consultant a certified MWBE?YesNo	
If no, please attach documentation of outreach efforts employed by the firm to util	lize an MWBE.
Dollar amount of original consultant contract \$	
Dollar amount of amended consultant contract \$	
Other Proposed Action:	
Increase total dollar amount of workAdd as an additionalDecrease total dollar amount of workOther	sub-consultant*
Please describe reason for requested action:	
*If adding additional sub-consultant:	
Is the sub-consultant a certified MWBE?YesNo	
If no, please attach documentation of outreach efforts employed by the firm to util	lize an MWBE.
Dollar amount of original consultant contract \$	
Dollar amount of amended consultant contract \$	

Interoffice Use Only:			
Approval <u>Y</u> N			
Date			
Signature			

Pay	App	lication	No.
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Purchase Order No.

Proof of Payment Certification

MWBE Contractors, Suppliers, Service Providers

Project Name: _____

Prime Service Provider:

Current Contract Amount (including change orders): \$_____

Requested Payment Amount for this Period: \$_____

Is this the final payment? <u>Yes</u> No

Firm Name	MWBE Category*	Total Amount Paid from this Pay Request	Total Contract Amount	Total Amount Remaining

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Date:

Certified By:

Name

Title

Signature