MBE/WBE Participation Goals

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 The University of Kentucky requests all potential contractors to make a concerted effort to include Minority-Owned (MBE) and Woman-Owned (WBE) Business Enterprises as subcontractors or suppliers in their bids.

1.2 Toward that end, the University of Kentucky has established 10% of total procurement costs as a Goal for participation of Minority-Owned and Woman-Owned Businesses on this contract.

1.3 It is therefore a request of each Bidder to include in its bid, 10% for MBE/WBE participation and other requirements as outlined in this section.

PART 2 - PROCEDURES

2.1 The successful bidder will be required to report to the University of Kentucky, the dollar amounts of all purchase orders submitted to Minority-Owned or Woman-Owned subcontractors and suppliers for work done or materials purchased for this contract.

2.2 Replacement of a Minority-Owned or Woman-Owned subcontractor or supplier listed in the original submittal must be requested in writing and must be accompanied by documentation of Good Faith Efforts to replace the subcontractor / supplier with another MBE/WBE Firm; subject to approval by the University of Kentucky.

2.3 For assistance in identifying qualified, certified businesses to solicit for potential contracting opportunities, bidders may contact:

   A. The University of Kentucky, Facilities Management Contractor/Supply chain Coordinator (859-257-3204)

   B. Tri-State Minority Supplier Development Council in Louisville, KY (502-625-0135)

   C. The Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Small & Minority Business Division in Frankfort, KY (502-564-2064)

   D. The Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, Contract Compliance Division in Frankfort, KY (502-564-2874)

2.4 The University of Kentucky will make every effort to notify interested MBE/WBE subcontractors and suppliers of each Bid Package, including information on the scope of work, the pre-bid meeting time and location, the bid date, and all other pertinent information regarding the project.
PART 3 - DEFINITIONS

3.1 A Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE) is defined as a business which is certified as being at least 51% owned and operated by persons of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity (Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin), or Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, or Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander race.

3.2 A Woman-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) is defined as a business which is certified as being at least 51% owned and operated by one or more Non-Minority Females.

PART 4 - OBLIGATION OF BIDDER

4.1 The bidder shall make a Good Faith Effort to achieve the Participation Goal for MBE/WBE subcontractors/suppliers. The failure to meet the goal shall not necessarily be cause for disqualification of the bidder; however, bidders not meeting the goal are required to furnish with their bids written documentation of their Good Faith Efforts to do so.

4.2 Award of Contract shall be conditioned upon satisfaction of the requirements set forth herein.

4.3 The Form of Proposal includes a section entitled “Identification of Minority Subcontractors and Material Suppliers”. The Advertisement for Bid includes a section entitled “Minority Business Participation”. The Determination of Responsibility includes a section entitled “Participation of Minority and Women owned contractors and businesses”. The applicable information must be completed and submitted as outlined.

4.4 Failure to submit this information as requested may be cause for rejection of the bid.

PART 5 - DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

5.1 The prime contractor must provide the University of Kentucky with a “MBE/WBE percent of contract report “detailing subcontracting activity within 90 days of prime contract award. Projects containing multiple bid packs will update reports within 90 days of contract award throughout project duration. The report shall reflect the total dollar amount awarded to all MBE/WBE subcontractors (including suppliers) utilized under this contract.

   a. Prime Contractors will report the following items individually to satisfy reporting requirements
      i. Project Name, UK Project Number, and UK CPMD Project Manager assigned to the project
      ii. Total dollar value of the prime contract with the University of Kentucky
      iii. Total dollar value of all contracts assigned to MBE firms
      iv. Total dollar value of all contracts assigned to WBE firms

5.2 Bidders not reaching the Goal must submit both the “MBE/WBE percent of contract report “ and a written statement documenting their Good Faith Effort to do so (If bid includes no MBE/WBE participation, bidder shall enter “None” on the subcontractor / supplier form). In addition, the bidder may submit the following as proof of Good Faith Efforts to meet the Participation Goal:
A. Advertisement by the bidder of MBE/WBE Contracting opportunities associated with this bid in at least two (2) of the following:
   1. A periodical in general circulation throughout the region
   2. A Minority-Focused periodical in general circulation throughout the region
   3. A Trade periodical aimed at the MBE/WBE community in general circulation throughout the region
   4. Bidder shall include copies of dated advertisement with his submittal

B. Evidence of written notice of contracting opportunities to at least five (5) MBE/WBE firms serving the construction industry at least seven (7) days prior to the bid opening date.

C. Copies of quotations submitted by MBE/WBE firms which were not used due to uncompetitive pricing or other factors and/or copies of responses from firms that were contacted indicating that they would not be submitting a bid.

D. Documentation of Bidder’s utilization of the agencies identified to help locate potential MBE/WBE firms for inclusion on the contract including responses from agencies.

E. Failure to submit any of the documentation requested in this section may be cause for rejection of bid. Bidders may include any other documentation deemed relevant to this requirement. “Record of MBE/WBE Solicitation” and other required documentation of Good Faith Efforts are to be submitted with the bid, if participation Goal is not met.
University of Kentucky – Capital Project Management
MBE/WBE Percent of Contract Report

1) Identification of Participating MBE/WBEs
Project Name / Number:____________________________________________________
UK Project Manager:______________________________________________________
Total Contract Value:______________________________________________________

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The undersigned submits the above list of MBE/WBE firms to be used in accomplishing the work contained in this Bid.

Company:_________________________________________ By:____________________________
Date:_________________________________________ Title:___________________________