LADOTD DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) SMALL BUSINESS ELEMENT (SBE) PROGRAMS

Contract Administration

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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT



From the Beginning

- Purpose of this section: To help the Local Public Agency Project Engineer (LPA P.E.) and the Responsible Charge understand the tasks required to report DBE/SBE information, sub contracting requirements and payroll requirements necessary to allow the LPA to receive timely payment for their invoices
- Code of Federal Regulation 49CFR26



From the Beginning

- What is a DBE/SBE project goal?
- How is a project goal set?
- Where is it found?

Handout: Notice to Contractors





Beginning Stage

- Lowest bidder selected
- 7 calendar days to complete and email the approved, signed CS-6AAA to the DOTD Compliance Section
 - DBE Commitment Documentation





Operational Stage

- BEFORE work begins:
 - All subcontractors require the OMF-1A and 2A Forms, including DBE/SBE Truckers and Suppliers
 - All electrical/mechanical/plumbing work over \$10k and all other construction work over \$50k requires a LA Contractor's license





Operational Stage

- Sublet Limit:
 - Prime Contractors must complete 50% of the contract amount (unless otherwise stated)
 - Specialty items performed by subcontractors do not count towards the 50% limit
 - Suppliers and truckers do not count towards the 50% limit





Tracking Stage

- DBE/SBE replacement/removal:
 - DBE/SBE must be Unwilling or unable
 - Good Faith Efforts must be done to replace with another DBE/SBE either for the same work or different
 - MUST have prior approval by the DOTD Compliance Office beforehand
 - The form can be found at <u>http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Admi</u> <u>nistration/Compliance/DBE%20Documents/DBE%20Good</u> <u>%20Faith%20Effort%20Documentation%20Form.pdf</u>



Tracking Stage

- DURING work:
 - DBE/SBE payments are tracked
 - Prime Contactor enters DBE payments in AASHTOWARE
 - Must be done for each estimate whether DBE work was performed or not
 - LPA Project Engineer must go into the AASHTOWARE program and check off on each Estimate Payment
 - State law requires prime contractors to pay their subcontractor no later than 14 days after they receive payment from DOTD for satisfactory performance.





Tracking Stage

- Commercially Useful Function (CUF)
 - Every Federal Job with a DBE performing work is required to have a CUF review (Goal and Non-Goal)
 - LPA P.E. should perform
 - DOTD Compliance Contract Employee is available for any problems/questions you have that may arise

Handout: CUF Form





Closing Stage

- AFTER work ends:
 - CP-2A Form is the final DBE/SBE payment.
 - Is DBE/SBE goal achieved?
- CP-2A Form:
 - <u>http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Admi</u> <u>nistration/Compliance/Pages/DBE_Admin_Unit.aspx</u>





- Retainage cannot be held on any DBE/SBE Federal Aid Project.
- The prime contractor cannot lease equipment to the DBE/SBE subcontractor on their project without prior approval by Compliance.
- Issuing Joint checks for material supplying is common but <u>MUST</u> have prior approval from Compliance.



Payroll

- Payrolls are required on Federal Aid projects, unless otherwise noted. Certified payrolls and a Statement of Compliance are required on FA projects that have a Wage Determination.
- Failure to submit payrolls to the Department's
 P.E. to be uploaded into Content Manager, will result in the partial estimates being held.

Handout: Certified Payroll & Statement of Compliance



1391 Process

- In May the annual "Notice to Contractors" Form and instructions for on-line submittal of the Contractor's Annual EEO Report or 1391 Form is sent to the LPA P.E. to disseminate to all Contractors.
- A copy of the completed "Notice to Contractors" Form <u>must be</u> emailed to <u>Juanita.Linton@la.gov</u>. The instructions for on-line submittal of the 1391 Form is to be disseminated to all Contractors and require that they provide it to their sub contractors.
- Every Contractor (prime or sub) that works on a project during in the last two weeks of July <u>must submit</u> a 1391 form on-line. Instructions for submitting a 1391 form on-line is available at: http://www.dotd.la.gov/administration/compliance/ContractCompl ianceUnit.aspx

Handout: 1391 Form and 1391 Instructions





OJT Program

- Contract Supplemental Specifications OJT Training
- Contractor's Forms to be completed:
 - Contractor's Trainee Enrollment & Interview Form
 - <u>http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Administratio</u> <u>n/Compliance/OJT%20Documents/Contractor%20OJT%20Enrollme</u> <u>nt%20Form.pdf</u>
 - Contractor's OJT Weekly Reporting Form
 - <u>http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Administratio</u> <u>n/Compliance/OJT%20Documents/Contractor%20Weekly%20OJT</u> <u>%20Report.pdf</u>





Labor Compliance Reviews

• EDSM No. 111.1.1.9

- Project Site Standard Interview Form
 - <u>http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Administration/C</u> <u>ompliance/Labor%20Compliance/LABOR%20COMPLIANCE%20PROJEC</u> <u>T%20SITE%20INTERVIEW.pdf</u>





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