

## Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Policy Statement

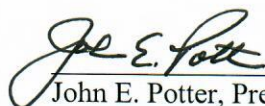
The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (Airports Authority) has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The Airports Authority has received federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the Airports Authority has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the Airports Authority to ensure that DBEs as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts in the Department's highway, transit, and airport financial assistance programs;
2. To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. To ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet this part's eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT-assisted contracts;
6. To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally-assisted contracts and procurement activities conducted by recipients;
7. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program; and
8. To provide appropriate flexibility to recipients of federal financial assistance in establishing and providing opportunities for DBEs.

The Deputy Vice President of the Department of Supplier Diversity (DVP) has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer (DBELO) for the Airports Authority. In that capacity, the DVP is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the Airports Authority in its financial assistance agreements with the DOT.

The Airports Authority has disseminated this revised policy statement to all the applicable components of the organization. We have distributed this statement to the DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts. This Policy Statement is posted on the Airports Authority website (<http://www.mwaa.com>), and is included, when appropriate, in Airports Authority business publications and other materials related to business practices and opportunities of the Airports Authority.



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