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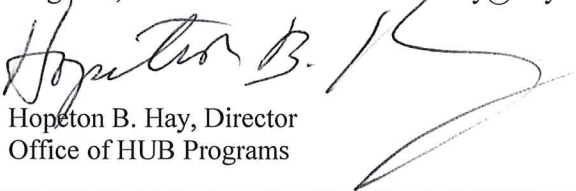
It is the policy of The University of Texas System and each of its institutions, to promote and encourage contracting and subcontracting opportunities of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) in all contracts. Measurements of supply marketplace variables, including demand for goods and services for which no HUB suppliers are available, and payments to non-certified HUB firms are important considerations in evaluating HUB program performance. In particular the growth in insurance expenditures and Oracle software licenses for all institutions has an impact in the decline in the overall HUB percentage, and the Other Services HUB percentage. These expenditures represent over 12 percent of total expenditures. In addition, we had a significant decline in UT System managed construction at UTRGV and UT Arlington in the Rio Grande Valley and Dallas/Forth Worth area where we have a high percentage of HUB participation in building construction and professional services. This has contributed significantly in the decline in the building construction and professional services HUB percentage.

Good faith efforts include but are not limited to:

- Participation and facilitation of HUB forum events in all regions of the state.
 - Participated in 25 HUB advocacy group outreach events
 - Attended 9 HUB outreach events sponsored by government agencies and other private sector organizations
 - Facilitated 55 One-on-one meetings between HUB firms and U.T. System staff and/or prime firms
- Sponsorship of technical assistance workshops by the HUB office.
 - Sponsored eight (8) UT Construction Subcontractor training sessions in partnership with Vaughn Construction in Houston, Texas and Whiting-Turner Construction in San Antonio, Texas. Thirty-eight (38) HUB and M/WBE firms participated in these training opportunities.
 - Co-Sponsored one Bonding Workshop with HUB organizations and other governmental agencies and institutions, with participation of more than 19 HUB firms.
- Focus on Mentor Protégé Program
 - Currently there are 6 active partnerships: 3 Construction, 2 Professional Services, and 1 Commodities.

The University of Texas System Administration, in partnership with the institutions within The University of Texas System, is committed to maximizing HUB participation by fostering collaborative efforts and innovative approaches ensuring HUB inclusion in local communities throughout the state in an effort to facilitate economic development.

The University of Texas System Administration submits this supplemental letter to provide additional information and background related to its HUB program. Please address inquiries to the Office of HUB Programs, 512-499-4530 or e-mail to hhay@utsystem.edu.


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