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TEXAS STATE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BOARD

Protecting and Enhancing Natural Resources for Tomorrow

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Comptroller of Public Accounts
TPASS Division
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P.O. Box 13047
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Re: Supplemental Letter for FY 21 Annual HUB Report for Agency # 592

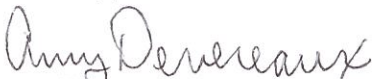
The Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) is committed to making a good faith effort to increase economic opportunities for Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB's). During FY 21 TSSWCB made the following good faith efforts:

- Increased the number of HUB vendors to our agency Vendor list
- Conducts in-house training classes with internal users to increase TSSWCB HUB utilization
- Conducts information sessions with TSSWCB management on current FY HUB utilization in order to promote and increase our HUB expenditures.
- Participated in a Zoom presentation by a HUB vendor (BravoTECH) in April

Our HUB Outreach efforts included participation in Sen. Wests' virtual Doing Business Texas Style Spot Bid Fair in May 2021. We posted four Invitation for Bids, and awarded four contracts to HUB vendors (WO/F) in the amount of \$1,034.43. COVID-19 presented challenges to all persons, state agencies and HUB vendors alike. Virtual spot bid fairs, and Zoom HUB vendor presentations were ways for all to begin the journey back to some sort of normal.

The Texas State Soil & Water Conservation Board fully supports the idea that all qualified businesses deserve the opportunity to compete in the State's procurement process, and is committed to increasing the potential for HUB participation in all agency expenditures. To that extent, we will continue current efforts that have proven successful, and explore new opportunities wherever possible.

Sincerely,


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