

**City of Philadelphia
Economic Opportunity Plan
Bid # 2340**

I. Introduction, Definitions and Goals

A. Chapter 17-1600 of The Philadelphia Code requires the development and implementation of "Economic Opportunity Plan(s)" for certain classes of contracts and covered projects as defined in Section 17-1601. The Economic Opportunity Plan ("Plan") memorializes the successful Bidder's best and good faith efforts to provide meaningful and representative opportunities for Minority Business Enterprises ("MBEs"), Woman Business Enterprises ("WBEs") and Disabled Business Enterprises ("DSBEs"), Disadvantaged Business Enterprises¹ ("DBEs") (collectively, "MW/DSBEs") and an appropriately diverse building trades workforce in connection with the contract or covered project.

This Invitation and Bid and any resulting contract are subject to the Plan requirements as described in Section 17-1603 (2). Accordingly, by submission of its Bid, a responsive and responsible Bidder makes a legally binding commitment to abide by the provisions of this Plan which include Bidder's commitment to exercise its best and good faith efforts throughout the contract term to provide meaningful and representative contracting opportunities for MW/DSBEs and to employ an appropriately diverse workforce of tradespeople including minority and female persons in all phases of any contract awarded under this Bid.

Bidder hereby verifies that all information submitted to the City including without limitation, the Plan and all forms and attachments thereto, are true and correct and is notified that the submission of false information by Bidder is subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. Section 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities. Bidder also acknowledges that if it is awarded a contract resulting from this Invitation and Bid, it is a felony in the third degree under 18 Pa.C.S. Section 4107.2 (a)(4) if, in the course of this contract, it fraudulently obtains public moneys reserved for or allocated or available to minority business enterprises or women's business enterprises.

B. For the purposes of this Plan, MBE, WBE, DBE and DSBE shall refer to certified businesses so recognized by the City of Philadelphia through its Office of Economic Opportunity ("OEO"). Only the work or supply effort of firms that are certified as MW/DSBEs by an OEO approved certifying agency² at the time of bid opening will be eligible to receive credit as a Best and Good Faith Effort. In order to be counted, certified firms must successfully complete and submit to the OEO an application to be included in the OEO Registry which is a list of registered MW/DSBEs maintained by the OEO and available online at www.phila.gov/oEO/directory. If bidder or bidder's subcontractor(s) is certified by an approved certifying agency, a copy of that certification should be furnished with the bid.

¹Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBEs") are those socially or economically disadvantaged minority and woman owned businesses certified under 49 C.F.R. Part 26. If Bidder makes solicitation(s) and commitment(s) with a DBE, Bidder shall indicate which category, MBE or WBE, is submitted for credit.

²A list of "OEO approved certifying agencies" can be found at www.phila.gov/oEO

C. For this Plan, the term "Best and Good Faith Efforts," the sufficiency of which shall be in the sole determination of the City, means: a Bidder's efforts, the scope, intensity and appropriateness of which are designed and performed to foster meaningful and representative opportunities for participation by M/W/DSBEs and an appropriately diverse workforce and to achieve the objectives of Chapter 17-1600. Best and Good Faith Efforts are rebuttably presumed met, when a Bidder makes commitments within the M/W/DSBE Participation Ranges established for this Bid and commits to employ a diverse workforce as enumerated herein.

D. Goals

1. M/W/DSBE Participation Ranges

As a benchmark for the Bidder's expression of its Best and Good Faith Efforts to provide meaningful and representative opportunities for M/W/DSBEs in the contract, the following participation ranges have been developed. These participation ranges represent, in the absence of discrimination in the solicitation and selection of M/W/DSBEs, the percentage of MBE, WBE and DSBE participation that is reasonably attainable on this contract through the exercise of Bidder's Best and Good Faith Efforts. In order to maximize opportunities for as many businesses as possible, a firm that is certified in two or more categories (e.g. MBE and WBE and DSBE or WBE and DSBE) will only be credited toward one participation range as either an MBE or WBE or DSBE. The firm will not be credited toward more than one category. These ranges are based upon an analysis of factors such as the size and scope of the contract and the availability of MBEs, WBEs and DSBEs to perform various elements of the contract:

BID	MBE	WBE
2340 Subcontractor:	10% - 15%	And/or 10% - 15%
Supplier:	3% - 5%	And/or 3% - 5%

2. Employment Goals

Bidder agrees to exhaust its Best and Good Faith Efforts to employ minority persons and females in its workforce of apprentices and journeymen at the following levels³:

- Minority Apprentices – 50% of all hours worked by all apprentices
- Minority Journeymen – 32% of all journey hours worked across all trades
- Female Apprentices – 7% of all hours worked by all apprentices
- Female Journeypersons - 7% of all hours worked across all trades

³ These goals, which have been adopted by the Economic Opportunity Cabinet, are the recommendations of the Mayor's Commission on Construction Industry Diversity.

the Successful Bidder, within fifteen (15) days of the Procurement Department's issuance of the notice of award.

The Successful Bidder agrees to cooperate with OEO in its compliance monitoring efforts, and to submit, within the time limits prescribed by OEO, all documentation which may be requested by OEO relative to the awarded contract, including the items described below. The Successful Bidder must provide as required and maintain the following contract documentation for a period of three (3) years following acceptance of final payment under the contract:

- Copies of signed contracts and purchase orders with M/W/DSBE subcontractors;
- Evidence of payments (cancelled checks, invoices, etc.) to subcontractors and suppliers to verify participation;
- Telephone logs and correspondence relating to M/W/DSBE commitments.

B. The Successful Bidder shall ensure that all its on-site contractors submit, to the extent required by law, certified payrolls to the City's Labor Standards Unit in the format prescribed by that agency which includes hours worked by minority and female apprentices and journeypersons.

C. Prompt Payment of M/W/DSBEs

1. The Successful Bidder shall within five (5) business days after receipt of a payment from the City for work performed under the contract, deliver to its M/W/DSBE subcontractors their proportionate share of such payment for work performed (including the supply of materials). In connection with payment of its M/W/DSBE subcontractors, the Successful Bidder agrees to fully comply with the City's payment reporting process which may include the use of electronic payment verification systems.
2. Each month of the contract term and at the conclusion of the contract, the Successful Bidder shall provide to the OEO documentation reconciling actual dollar amounts paid to M/W/DSBE subcontractors to M/W/DSBE commitments presented in the Plan.

D. Oversight Committee

1. For this project, the City, in its sole discretion, may establish a Project Oversight Committee consisting of representatives from the Bidder's company, representatives of the building trades, the construction manager, and the City which may include the Project site's District Councilperson, OEO, and appropriate community organizations ("Committee"). The Committee will meet regularly to provide advice for the purpose of facilitating compliance with the Plan.

2. If a Project Oversight Committee is established, the City will convene meetings of the Committee no later than one (1) month after issuance of the Notice To Proceed.

V. Remedies and Penalties for Non-Compliance

A. The Successful Bidder agrees that its compliance with the requirements of the Plan is material to the contract. Any failure to comply with these requirements may constitute a substantial breach of the contract. It is further agreed and understood that in the event the City determines that the Successful Bidder hereunder has failed to comply with these requirements the City may, in addition to remedies reserved under Section 17-1605 of The Philadelphia Code, any other rights and remedies the City may have under the contract, or any bond filed in connection therewith or at law or in equity, exercise one or more of the remedies below, which shall be deemed cumulative and concurrent:

- a. Withhold payment(s) or any part thereof until corrective action is taken.
- b. Terminate the contract, in whole or in part.
- c. Suspend/Debar the successful bidder from bidding on and/or participating in any future City contracts for a period of up to three (3) years.
- d. Recover as liquidated damages, one percent of the total dollar amount of the contract for each one percent (or fraction thereof) of the commitment shortfall. (NOTE: The "total dollar amount of the contract" shall include approved change orders, amendments and for requirements contracts shall be based on actual quantities ordered by the City.)

The remedies enumerated above are for the sole benefit of the City and City's failure to enforce any provision or the City's indulgence of any non-compliance with any provision hereunder, shall not operate as a waiver of any of the City's rights in connection with any contract resulting from this Invitation and Bid nor shall it give rise to actions by any third parties including identified M/W/DSBE subcontractors. No privity of contract exists between the City and the M/W/DSBE subcontractor identified in any contract resulting from this Invitation and Bid. The City does not intend to give or confer upon any such M/W/DSBE subcontractor(s) any legal rights or remedies in connection with subcontracted services under any law or Executive Order or by any reason of any contract resulting from the Invitation and Bid except

such rights or remedies that the M/W/DSBE subcontractor may seek as a private cause of action under any legally binding contract to which it may be a party.

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SIGNATURE OF BIDDER AND TITLE⁴ DATE

Angela Dowd-Burton 2/14/2013
ANGELA DOWD-BURTON, Executive Director, Office of Economic Opportunity⁵ DATE

[See Forms on following pages; these Forms, as completed by Bidder, must be submitted with the Bid as a matter of Responsiveness and Responsibility]



⁴Bidder is required to sign and date, but the City reserves the right to obtain the Successful Bidder's signature thereon at any time prior to Plan certification. The Successful Bidder will receive from the City a certified copy of its Plan which will be filed by the Procurement Department with the Chief Clerk of City Council within fifteen (15) days of the Procurement Department's issuance of a notice of award and published by OEO, in a downloadable format, on the OEO website.

⁵ Pursuant to Section 17-1603 (2) of The Philadelphia Code, the representative of the City of Philadelphia's Office of Economic Opportunity, the "certifying agency", certifies that the contents of this Plan are in compliance with Chapter 17-1600.

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M/W/DSBE Commitments

Percent / Dollar Amount

	[MBE]	
Aviman Management		6% / \$91,000
G.E. Frisco Co Inc		3% / \$46,000
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	[WBE]	
Gessler Construction Co		4% / \$61,000
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	[DSBE]	
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