# State of Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Report

**Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report** 

Department of Administration Division of Enterprise Operations Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Program February 2017

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#### **Executive Summary**

**History of the Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Program.** The Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Program was created in 1983 when the Legislature passed Wisconsin Act 390 that set a five percent participation goal for state agencies and University of Wisconsin campuses for purchases of goods and services with certified Minority Businesses Enterprises (MBEs). The Act also established a *permissive* five percent bid preference for certified MBE firms responding to bids for State contracts.

In 2010, the Legislature enacted Wisconsin Act 299 that provided a participation goal of a portion of state contracts for Disabled-Veteran Owned Businesses (DVBs) certified by the State of Wisconsin. It also provided a *permissive* five percent bid preference to such firms. In 2014, the Legislature enacted an amendment under 2013 Wisconsin Act 192 to establish a one percent goal for DVBs.

**Fiscal Year 2016 Highlights**. Diverse suppliers accounted for \$119,592,104 of \$2,723,209,636 of state agency and University of Wisconsin spending in the areas of procurement, state highways, facilities construction and architectural/engineering services during Fiscal Year 2016 (FY16). Diverse supplier purchases represented 4.39% of total spend. FY16 highlights included:

- State agencies spent \$61,430,785 with MBE/DVB businesses on general procurement in FY16, or 7.09% of spend totaling \$866,864,745.
- The DOA Division of Facilities Development (DFD) spent \$234,131,880 on various state construction projects in FY16. MBEs accounted for \$13,012,133 of total expenditures and DVBs accounted for \$1,742,554 for a total of \$14,754,687, representing 6.30% of total spend.
- DFD spent \$48,422,682 for architectural/engineering services in FY16. Certified MBE firms accounted for \$2,351,681 and DVBs accounted for \$383,833 for a total of \$2,735,514, or 5.65% of total spend.
- The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) State Highway Program expended \$35,666,078 with MBEs/DVBs, or 3.58% of the \$996,937,529 spent in FY16.
- University of Wisconsin System campuses spent \$5,005,040 in the procurement of goods and services with certified MBE/DVB firms in FY16, or 0.87% of spend totaling \$576,852,800.

#### **Statutory Authority**

**Annual Reporting Requirement.** Wis. Stat. § 16.75 (3m) (c) 4. requires the Department of Administration to annually report enterprise-wide participation by MBEs and DVBs on state contracts to the Governor and Legislature for distribution to the appropriate legislative committees.

**State of Wisconsin Diversity Business Goals.** Wis. Stat. § 16.75 (3m) (b) 1 provides that the department [DOA] and any state agency making purchases "shall attempt to ensure that 5% of the total amount expended under this subchapter in each fiscal year is paid to minority businesses." The statutes define the term "minority business" as a "business certified by the Department of Administration." (§16.287)

Wis. Stat. §16.75 (3m) (b) 2 provides that the department and any state agency making purchases "shall make efforts to ensure that 1% of the total expended under this subchapter in each fiscal year is paid to disabled veteran owned businesses." Disabled veteran-owned businesses are certified by the Department of Administration. (§16.283)

The Department of Administration (DOA) monitors these goals and undertakes the certification process through the Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Program in the Division of Enterprise Operations.

**Exceptions.** The five percent expenditure goals apply to all State purchases with the exception of the Department of Transportation (DOT) Federal Surface Transportation Assistance Act and the Department of Natural Resources Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funds. In addition, the Supplier Diversity Program offers certification for women-owned businesses; however, statutes do not provide a goal or price preference for women-owned businesses participating in state purchasing.

**Business Bid Preference.** Wis. Stat. § 16.75 (3m) (b) 3. provides that agencies "may purchase materials, supplies, equipment and contractual services from any minority or disabled veteran owned business submitting a qualified responsible competitive bid that is no more than 5% higher than the apparent low bid or competitive proposal that is no more than 5% lower than the most advantageous proposal." The statute further provides that agencies "shall maximize the use of minority businesses or disabled veteran-owned businesses which are incorporated under Chap. 180 or which have their principal place of business in this state." The *permissive 5%* low-bid preferences are applicable to all state purchases except printing and stationery.

**Certification Program.** The Department of Administration certifies minority- and disabled veteranowned businesses through processes governed by Wis. Stat. § 16.287 (2), Adm 84 and Adm 82. An application is submitted by the business and a review is conducted by the Department of Administration Supplier Diversity Program to ensure compliance with the statute and administrative code. In 2016, 590 firms were certified MBEs (including some domiciled outside of the State of Wisconsin) and thirty firms were certified DVBs.<sup>1</sup>

In 2012, Executive Order #72 required the Department to waive certification application requirements from other state, federal, local or private businesses if their certification procedures are "substantially equivalent" to those of the State of Wisconsin. To streamline certification and reduce duplication, DOA entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Office of Business Opportunity and Equity Compliance and other entities in the Unified Certification Program (UCP) in 2013. Through it, the DOA Supplier Diversity Program grants certification to firms that meet State of Wisconsin certification eligibility requirements using their UCP certification.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Department of Administration Certification Report FY2016

#### FY16 Results by Major Contracting Area

Four major areas of state purchasing account for the State's supplier diversity goals. The areas, responsible agencies and relevant statutes are:

- **General Procurement**. All agencies and University of Wisconsin System campuses, Wis. Stat. § 16.75 (3m) (c).
- Engineering and Architectural Services. DOA Division of Facilities Development, Wis. Stat. § 16.87 (2).
- Building Construction Services. DOA Division of Facilities Development, Wis. Stat. §16.855 (10n).
- State Highways Construction. Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Wis. Stat. § 84.075.

The following summarizes spend by major state contracting areas during FY16:

Program	Total Spend	Diversity Spend	%
Conoral Durchasing (Agonsias and LIM)	\$1,443,717,545	\$66,435,825	4.600/
General Purchasing (Agencies and UW) DOA DFD Construction	234,131,880	366,435,825 14,754,687	4.60% 6.30%
DOA DFD Architecture/Engineering	48,422,682	2,735,514	5.65%
DOT State Highway Program	996,937,529	<u>35,666,078</u>	<u>3.58%</u>
Total	\$2,723,209,636	\$119,592,104	4.39%

**General Procurement.** State statutes and administrative code govern purchasing activities conducted by agencies and campuses. The DOA State Bureau of Procurement (SBOP) oversees administration of all state procurement and sets policies and procedures to carry out procurement activities. In general, state laws and policies require competitive bidding as the preferred procurement method of contracting. Contracts are awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

MBEs and DVBs compete for state contracts on the same basis as all other vendors. However, state agencies may make awards to an MBE or DVB "submitting the lowest qualified responsible competitive bid when the bid is not more than 5% higher than the apparent low bid or competitive proposal that is no more than 5% lower than the most advantageous proposal."<sup>2</sup>

State agencies and campuses purchased general goods and services totaling \$1,443,717,545 in FY16. Of this amount, spend with diverse businesses totaled \$66,435,825 or 4.60% of all general purchases.<sup>3</sup>

Fourteen agencies achieved or exceeded five percent general spending with certified diverse suppliers in FY16:

1.	Supreme Court	76.91%
2.	Court of Appeals	32.53%
3.	Department of Financial Institutions	21.88%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Wis.Stat. §16.75(3m) (b) (3).

<sup>2 514.6</sup> 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> FY16 general purchasing figures include spend through the State's purchasing card program.

4.	Department of Workforce Development	19.64%
5.	Board for People with Developmental Disabilities	17.74%
6.	Legislature	17.25%
7.	Department of Transportation	16.19%
8.	Department of Corrections	16.06%
9.	Department of Employee Trust Funds	11.45%
10.	Department of Safety and Professional Services	10.74%
11.	Office of the Commissioner of Insurance	9.79%
12.	Department of Children and Families	9.26%
13.	Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection	5.52%
14.	Public Defender Board	5.01%

General procurement activity includes both direct purchases from MBEs/DVBs and second-tier MBE/DVB participation on contracts awarded to non-MBE vendors.

State Building Program: Construction Projects and Architectural/Engineering Service. The DOA Division of Facilities Development (DFD) provides oversight of the State Building Program. Its services consist of new construction and building renovation for all agencies, including the University of Wisconsin System. In addition to construction related services, it serves as staff to the State Building Commission. It is through these major activities that DFD provides opportunities to minority businesses to participate in state contracts for construction, engineering and architectural services.

DFD has an integrated and proactive approach in its business practices to ensure there are many opportunities for diverse suppliers. This includes having the Supplier Diversity program director serve as a member of the Selection Committee for architectural and engineering services. DFD may also award to an MBE/DVB submitting the lowest qualified bid on contracts when that qualified bid is not more than 5% higher than the apparent low bid, a statutory price preference.

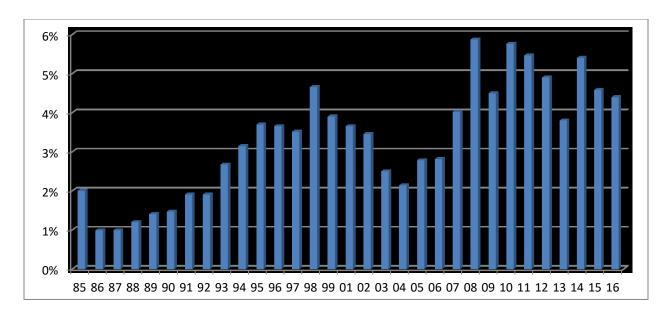
Thirty-one diverse firms (26 MBEs, 5 DVB) firms were involved in construction projects undertaken by DFD. FY16 construction expenditures totaled \$234,131,800 including MBE/DVB spend of \$14,754,677 for a participation rate of 6.30%.

Eleven diverse firms (10 MBEs, 1 DVB) provided consulting services to various architectural and engineering projects. Their participation was \$2,735,514, or 5.65%, on \$48,422,682 expended in FY16.

**DOT Spend: State Trunk Highways, Roads and Bridge Building.** The Department of Transportation (DOT) spent \$996,937,529 in FY16 on road and bridge building in the State Highway Construction Program. Diverse firm (mainly MBEs) participation totaled \$35,666,078, or 3.58% of FY16 spending.

#### **Historical Trends**

The following graph shows percentages of diversity spending from the inception of the State Diversity Program in 1983 to 2016. The figures are primarily dollars spent with MBEs; spend with DVBs commenced in 2010.



The following table provides the percentages of diverse spend in each major purchasing area over the last nine years.

Fiscal Year	General Procurement	Construction	Architecture Engineering	State Trunk Highway	Total
2007	2.68%	7.76%	5.81%	5.07%	4.02%
2008	2.91%	19.07%	8.89%	6.34%	5.87%
2009	3.45%	5.27%	9.74%	5.84%	4.49%
2010	3.77%	8.31%	17.26%	7.73%	5.76%
2011	3.99%	4.26%	15.96%	7.13%	5.15%
2012	3.06%	5.05%	10.90%	9.82%	4.90%
2013	3.20%	7.40%	16.40%	11.70%	3.60%
2014	4.30%	6.00%	7.60%	7.01%	5.40%
2015	4.16%	4.97%	4.61%	5.18%	4.58%
2016	4.60%	6.30%	5.65%	3.58%	4.39%

#### **Other Statutory Diversity Spend**

**State of Wisconsin Investment Board.** Statutes require the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (SWIB) to report on spend relating to financial and investment analysis and for common stock and convertible bond brokerage commissions. In FY16, SWIB expended \$440,347, or 4.7%, of its discretionary commissions of \$9,453,056 with diverse brokerage firms.

**DOA Capital Finance.** DOA's Capital Finance Office supports the financing needs of the State's infrastructure through the sale of bonds and notes in the capital market. The State Building Commission sets a goal of ensuring that minority/disabled veteran-owned investment firms certified by the state underwrite 6% of the bonds. Diverse firms are encouraged to participate in the selling, advising and underwriting of State of Wisconsin bonds, notes, and other obligations in the capital market. In FY16, diverse firms underwrote 10.29% of Capital Finance's sales of State of Wisconsin's Building Commission

bonds and notes. Overall, diverse underwriters' participation totaled \$154,404,375 of obligations totaling \$1,499,940,000. Capital Finance also reported that it did not utilize a Wisconsin certified disabled veteran-owned business in FY16.

**Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority.** The Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority (WHEFA) is an independent state authority that provides active capital financing assistance to Wisconsin's tax-exempt healthcare and higher educational industries. In FY16, WHEFA provided contracts totaling \$1,203, or 1.22%, of its discretionary purchases with diverse firms.

Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority. The Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA) is an independent state authority that works with lenders to provide low-cost financing for housing and small business development in Wisconsin. In FY16, WHEDA spent \$55,869, or 3.66%, of its total \$1,526,595 discretionary purchases with diverse firms. Due to limited bond issuance activity in FY16, there were no payments to diverse firms for bond issuance.

# Fiscal Year 2016 State of Wisconsin Diversity Spend

Agency General Procurement	<b>Total Spend</b>	<b>Diversity Spend</b>	% Diversity
Administration, Department of	\$95,963,084	\$2,711,845	2.83%
Aging and Long-Term Care, Board on	92,275	\$164	0.18%
Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Department of		\$380,821	5.52%
Children and Families Department of	83,258	÷2 020 040	0.00%
Children and Families, Department of Circuit Courts	41,365,549 6,306	\$3,828,848	9.26% 0.00%
Corrections, Department of	171,500,216	\$27,550,866	16.06%
Court of Appeals	8,746	\$2,845	32.53%
District Attorneys	215,260	-	0.00%
Educational Communications Board	4,534,747	-	0.00%
Employee Trust Funds, Department of	12,530,857	\$1,434,762	11.45%
Employment Relations Commission	136,914	-	0.00%
Financial Institutions, Department of	2,559,752	\$560,060	21.88%
Government Accountability Board	1,844,894	\$80,048	4.34%
Governor, Office of the	192,327	- 67.020.1E1	0.00%
Health Services, Department of Higher Educational Aids Board	232,837,231 56,157	\$7,838,151	3.37% 0.00%
Historical Society	3,241,259	\$9,006	0.28%
Insurance, Office of the Commissioner of	3,448,741	\$337,557	9.79%
Investment Board	3,228,013	\$84,873	2.63%
Judicial Commission	874	-	0.00%
Judicial Council	2,713	-	0.00%
Justice, Department of	22,602,482	\$23,882	0.11%
Kickapoo Reserve	123,088	-	0.00%
Labor and Industry	14,257	-	0.00%
Legislature	1,991,815	343,561	17.25%
Lieutenant Governor, Office of the	10,832	-	0.00%
Lower WI State Riverway Board Military Affairs, Department of	6,645 8,958,053	\$56,634	0.00% 0.63%
Miscellaneous Appropriations	57,501	330,034 -	0.00%
Natural Resources, Department of	54,008,180	\$1,322,324	2.45%
People with Developmental Disabilities, Board for	207,029	\$36,727	17.74%
Public Defender Board	3,213,867	\$160,909	5.01%
Public Instruction, Department of	38,346,043	\$191 <i>,</i> 496	0.50%
Public Lands, Board of Commissioners of	106,568	-	0.00%
Public Service Commission	1,132,064	-	0.00%
Revenue, Department of	37,462,487	\$729,249	1.95%
Safety and Professional Services, Department of	1,876,859	\$201,551	10.74%
Secretary of State State Fair Park Board	7,354	÷22.042	0.00%
State Treasurer	8,784,925 1,268	\$33,043	0.38% 0.00%
Supreme Court	198,078	\$152,339	76.91%
Tourism, Department of	9,790,887	\$149,143	1.52%
Transportation, Department of	52,589,472	\$8,513,233	16.19%
Veterans Affairs, Department of	21,459,601	\$261,477	1.22%
Wisconsin Technical College System Board	585,977	-	0.00%
Workforce Development, Department of	22,582,032	\$4,435,371	19.64%
	\$866,864,745	\$61,430,785	7.09%
UW System	<u>\$576,852,800</u>	\$5,005,04 <u>0</u>	0.87%
	1,443,717,545	\$66,435,825	4.60%
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Architectural Engineering Services	\$48,422,682	\$2,735,514	5.65%
_	\$234,131,880	\$14,754,687	6.30%
DOT State Highway	<u>\$996,937,529</u>	\$35,666,078	3.58%
Grand Total \$2	2,723,209,636	\$119,592,104	4.39%



September 12, 2016

Honorable Scott Neitzel Secretary of Department of Administration 101 East Wilson Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Madison, WI 53703

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Section 25.185, Stats., requests that the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (SWIB) attempt to ensure that 5% of the funds expended each fiscal year (FY) for financial and investment analysis and for common stock and convertible bond brokerage commissions are spent for services of minority financial advisors or minority investment firms. This statute also requires SWIB to report annually to the Department of Administration the total amount expended for these services.

In attempting to meet the 5% goal, SWIB must still meet its fiduciary responsibility to select the broker that will achieve the best execution on each trade for the trust funds we manage. SWIB's trading staff must balance various trading objectives including trading with certain brokers that can provide the best execution of trades and also provide value-added company and market research used in managing trust fund assets. While meeting its fiduciary duty and working to meet the 5% goal, SWIB used the following minority brokers for stock transactions in FY 2016 and paid the commissions noted:

Guzman & Company	\$30,668
M. Ramsey King Securities	12,459
Penserra Securities	256,107
Topeka Capital Markets	112,113
Williams Capital Group	29,000
Total Minority Broker Commissions	\$440.347

As shown below, of the total discretionary commissions paid, minority brokers received 4.7%:

Total Stock Commissions	\$23,207,988
Less Non-Discretionary Commissions	(\$13,754,932)
Total Discretionary Commissions	\$9,453,056

Percent Paid to Minority Firms 4.7%

Non-discretionary commissions include those that must be directed to a specific broker for specialized and specific trading services such as futures and options, international trades, program trades that are executed on electronic systems and trades that are directed to other commission goals such as Wisconsin brokers. Participating minority brokers do not have institutional-quality international trading capabilities, and as a result, the total commissions eligible for direction to minority brokers include only domestic security brokerage transactions. Therefore, SWIB has included \$7,644,536 of international trade commissions in the non-discretionary commission total fiscal year 2016.

Additionally, SWIB must report trading commissions paid to disabled veteran-owned financial advisors and investment firms that have a majority of their operations in Wisconsin. Section 25.185 (2)(b), Stats., states that the board shall attempt to ensure that at least 1 percent of the total funds expended for financial and investment analysis and for common stock and convertible bond brokerage commissions in each fiscal year is expended for the services of disabled veteran-owned financial advisors or disabled veteran-owned investment firms. The Wisconsin Department of Administration certifies Wisconsin disabled veteran-owned financial advisors and investment firms' eligibility per the requirements of Section 16.283 Stats. No such firms have been identified and no commissions were paid to Wisconsin disabled veteran-owned financial advisors or investment firms in FY 2016.

SWIB seeks to use only top performing brokers to meet its fiduciary obligation to obtain the best execution of its stock trades. To meet this objective, the performance of each broker, including minority and disabled veteran-owned, is continually evaluated. SWIB will continue to review the performance of its existing minority brokers and will make changes as needed to ensure best trade execution.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael Williamson Executive Director

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December 1, 2016

State of Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Program Department of Administration 101 East Wilson Street, 6th Floor Madison, WI 53707

Re: Fiscal Year 2015-16 Underwriting and Other Participation Certified Minority-Owned and Disabled Veteran-Owned Investment Firms

To Whom It May Concern:

During the 2015-16 fiscal year, the Capital Finance Office assisted the State of Wisconsin Building Commission (Building Commission) in the contracting and issuance of \$1.500 billion of State of Wisconsin obligations. Certified minority-owned investment firms underwrote 10.29% of these State of Wisconsin bonds and notes, or approximately \$154 million. The obligations issued in the 2015-16 fiscal year consisted of five negotiates sales and three competitive sales.

This report (i) summarizes participation of minority-owned firms in underwriting State of Wisconsin bond and notes, and (ii) describes on-going actions taken by the Capital Finance Office to encourage participation by certified minority-owned firms.

<u>Participation of Minority-Owned Firms.</u> There are three reporting requirements imposed by Wisconsin Statutes on the Building Commission regarding the participation of certified minority-owned investment firms in the underwriting of State of Wisconsin bond and note issues.

•	Section 18.16 (Public Indebtedness)	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
	Total Obligations Issued	\$977,435,000	
	Underwritten by Minority-Owned Firms	111,789,000	11.44%
•	Section 18.64 (Revenue Obligations)		
	Total Obligations Issued	\$522,505,000	
	Underwritten by Minority-Owned Firms	42,615,375	8.16%
•	Section 18.77 (Operating Notes)		
	Total Obligations Issued	\$0	
	Underwritten by Minority-Owned Firms	N/a	N/a
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	Total Obligations Issued	\$1,499,940,000	
	Underwritten by Minority-Owned Firms	154,404,375	10.29%

While there are no reporting requirements imposed by law on the Department of Administration regarding the participation of minority-owned firms, the following is a State of Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Program Department of Administration December 1, 2016
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summary of participation during the past fiscal year for an obligation issued through the Department of Administration.

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Total Obligations Issued	\$39,960,000	
Underwritten by Minority-Owned Firms	5,994,000	<b>15.00</b> %

The following is a summary that combines the participation of the Building Commission and the Department of Administration.

#### **TOTALS**

Total Obligations Issued	\$1,539,900,000	
<b>Underwritten by Minority-Owned Firms</b>	160,398,375	10.42%

In addition, during the 2015-16 fiscal year neither the Building Commission nor the Department of Administration paid any financial advisor fees to certified minority-owned financial advisors.

## On-Going Actions to Encourage Participation of Minority-Owned Firms.

#### Negotiated Sales

In a negotiated sale, the State has direct control over the amount of participation by minority-owned firms. In addition, the Capital Finance Office is able to work with book-running managers to (i) encourage the involvement of certified minority-owned investment firms/underwriters, (ii) take into consideration orders placed by minority-owned underwriters, and (iii) use designation policies as a means of providing additional economic sharing of a transaction.

#### Competitive Sales

The State is not able to control the amount of participation by minority-owned firms in a competitive sale since the award is based solely on the lowest true interest cost rate to the State. The decrease in the percentage of participation of minority-owned firms in underwriting State of Wisconsin bond and notes in the 2015-16 fiscal year is the direct result of an increase in the number of competitive sales.

The State has taken certain actions to promote minority participation in the competitive sale process. First, bidding information provided on the State's website includes the list of minority-owned financial firms that have been certified by the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration. This list has a focus on firms that actually participate in public finance and underwriting of municipal bonds and notes. In addition, the bidding information includes information on how a firm can become a certified minority-owned investment firm.

Secondly, the Capital Finance Office also includes direct statements in its bidding documents. The following items appear in the Official Notice of Sale.

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- "Official Bid Form and Award. In the event two or more bids result in the same lowest true interest cost rate, the award will be made to the one with <a href="the largest aggregate participation">the largest aggregate participation</a> by certified minority investment firms participation.

  ....In the event two of more those bids have an equal amount of aggregate participation by certified minority investment firms, the award will be made to the bid that includes <a href="the greatest aggregate number of certificated minority investment firms in its selling group.....">the greatest aggregate number of certificated minority investment firms in its selling group....."</a>
- "Minority Participation. It is the policy of the [Building] Commission to endeavor to ensure that at least 6% of the bonds are underwritten by minority investment firms certified by the State. The [Building] Commission urges prospective bidders to obtain from the Capital Finance Director a list of firms so certified and to include such firms as participants in the account formed to bid on the bonds and as members of any selling group formed for the account. The [Building] Commission further encourages certified minority investment firms to submit bids directly and to form accounts to bid on the bonds. Any firm that wishes to be certified by the State as a minority investment firm may contact the Wisconsin Department of Administration at 608.267.9550 or DOABDMBD@Wisconsin.gov.

<u>Participation of Disabled Veteran-Owned Firms.</u> As of June 30, 2016, the Department of Administration had not certified any disabled veteran-owned investment firms. The Building Commission, through the Capital Finance Office, did not utilize a nationally recognized disabled veteran-owned firm during the 2015-16 fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment

# MINORITY UNDERWRITER PARTICIPATION FOR 2015-16 FISCAL YEAR

State of Wisconsin Building Commission/Department of Administration; Prepared by DOA Capital Finance Office

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SECTION 18.16, STATS. G.O. Bonds of 2015, Series C	C	\$	387,025,000	Bank of America Merrill Lynch	Blaylock Beal Van, LLC	\$	23,221,500	
G.O. Bonds of 2016, Series A	C		295,185,000	Bank of America Merrill Lynch	None		0	
G.O. Refunding Bonds of 2016, Series 1	N		295,225,000	Bank of America Merrill Lynch	Ramirez & Co., Inc		88,567,500	
Subtotal (Public Indebtedness	)		\$977,435,000	•	Subtotal: Minority Owned:	\$	111,789,000	11.44%
SECTION 18.77, STATS.								
Subtotal (Operating Notes	)	\$	-		Subtotal: Minority Owned:	\$	-	0.00%
SECTION 18.64, STATS. Transportation Revenue Bonds, 2015 Series A	C	\$	225,000,000	Bank of America Merrill Lynch	None	\$	-	
Clean Water Revenue Refunding Bonds of 2015, Series 1	N		133,235,000	Citigroup Global Markets	Ramirez & Co., Inc		9,992,625	
Clean Water Revenue Refunding Bonds of 2016, Series 1	N		120,890,000	Jefferies LLC	Loop Capital Markets		27,200,250	
Environmental Improvement Fund Revenue Bonds, 2015 Series A Subtotal (Revenue Bonds	N )	\$	43,380,000 522,505,000	Citigroup Global Markets	Ramirez & Co., Inc Subtotal: Minority Owned:	\$	5,422,500 42,615,375	8.16%
BUILDING COMMISSION TOTALS	:	\$ 1,	,499,940,000			\$	154,404,375	10.29%
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DOA/Master Lease Master Lease COPs of 2015 Series A	N	\$	39,960,000	Robert W. Baird	Siebert Brandford Shank & Co., L.	I <u>\$</u>	5,994,000	
TOTAL DOA AND BUILDING COMMISSION		\$	1,539,900,000			\$	160,398,375	10.42%

# WISCONSIN HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Dennis P. Reilly Executive Director

September 16, 2016

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Dear Godwin:

Subject to Chapter 231.27 Minority Financial Interests, I hereby submit the following report outlining the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority (WHEFA or Authority) activity involving minority business firms for our fiscal year 2016 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016).

WHEFA, created by the Legislature in 1973 (Chapter 231, Wisconsin Statutes), provides active capital financing assistance to Wisconsin's non-profit institutions.

#### **Minority Businesses**

WHEFA operates with a staff of four. State funds are not used to finance WHEFA's operating budget; the budget is financed completely from user fees. WHEFA's fiscal year 2016 discretionary purchases totaled approximately \$98,282. The Authority expended approximately 1.22% of its discretionary purchases with the minority business partners listed below:

Tri-State Office Products \$1,057.42
One Accord Insurance Agency \$145.45

Total \$1,202.87

The Authority provides interested minority firms, including minority legal firms, minority investment firms and minority financial advisers with a list of pending and active financing projects so that they can solicit their services (beyond bond counsel services) directly with the non- profit borrowers (all of the fees are paid by the non-profit borrowing institutions, not by WHEFA).

WHEFA routinely views the Wisconsin Minority-Owned Business Directory and we will continue to actively review it for other business opportunities. As always, if you have any questions about this report, please feel free to call us at 262-792-0466.

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Pursuant to Chapter 234.35(2), <u>Wisconsin Statutes</u>, the Authority is required to report annually to the Department of Administration the total amount purchased from and contracted or subcontracted to minority businesses, the total amount of bonds and notes issued by the Authority with the underwriting services of minority investment firms and the total amount of moneys expended by the Authority for the services of minority financial advisers during the preceding state fiscal year.

#### **Contracted Services**

WHEDA's fiscal year 2016 discretionary purchases were \$1,526,595. The Authority expended \$55,869 or 3.66% of its discretionary purchases, with the minority business partners listed below:

SHI International Corp/Software House International

55,869

**Total Contracted Business** 

\$ 55,869

#### **Bonded Activity**

Due to the limited bond issuance activity for fiscal year 2016, there were no payments to minority firms for bond issuance.

