

Department of Transportation Division of Secretariat Office of Air, Rail & Transit 700 East Broadway Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501-2586 OFFICE: 605/773-3574 FAX: 605/773-2804

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This letter is to invite you as a plan holder, previous bidder, or business certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) or categorized as a woman or minority owned company, to an open meeting regarding the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 and SDDOT, Office of Air, Rail and Transit to set a DBE goal for FY 2021-2023. This invitation is from the public transit staff of the Office of Air, Rail and Transit.

This meeting is being held to provide you with an opportunity to offer comments on transit's proposed goal by seeking your public participation regarding the availability of disadvantaged businesses, the effects of discrimination on opportunities for DBEs, and your efforts to establish a level playing field for participation of DBEs. The goal and meeting are specific to the public transit office.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, via conference call. The meeting will begin at 10am CST/9am MST and end at 12pm CST/11am MST. The conference call number is 1-866-410-8397. The conference code is 6646818117. Those needing assistance with a call are encouraged to use Relay South Dakota by dialing 711. Those not able to attend may address comments or concerns in writing to the Department of Transportation, Office of Air, Rail and Transit, 700 E Broadway Avenue, Pierre SD 57501. Comments will be accepted until September 20, 2020.

This meeting is being held concurrently with this office's establishment of the DBE goal for FY2021-FY2023.

The goal methodology for the public transit office is available at <u>https://dot.sd.gov/transportation/public-transit/general-information</u>.

If you have any questions regarding this invitation, please contact Sallie Doty at <u>Sallie.Doty@state.sd.us</u> or 605-773-7038.

Sincerely,

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