

RESOLUTION NO. 2002- 121

AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OVERALL
ANNUAL GOAL FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS
ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR
2003

WHEREAS, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century and the Regulations promulgated thereunder at 49 CFR Part 26, require the establishment of an overall goal for the participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in federally funded contracts let by the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority; and

WHEREAS, The Authority's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program requires that the General Manager establish an overall goal for the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in all contracts let by the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority during each Federal fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program the General Manager has met with executive staff to determine the overall goal for the Federal fiscal year 2003 commencing October 1, 2002; and

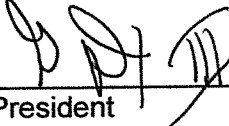
WHEREAS, said goal has been determined using the minimum criteria established by the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority:

Section 1. The overall goal is hereby established for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation in all federal contracting by this Authority for the Federal fiscal year 2003 at 20% of the total dollar amount of contracts awarded by this Authority during said fiscal year. The General Manager is directed to advise the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) accordingly and publish this goal in accordance with the requirements of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program.

Section 2. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: June 18, 2002



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OVERALL ANNUAL GOAL FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2003	Resolution No.: 2002-121
	Date: June 6, 2002
	Initiator: Human Resources & Business Development Division
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to carry out the policy of the U. S. Department of Transportation and the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority of supporting the fullest possible participation of firms owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, including women, in contracting opportunities of the Authority.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), have traditionally been underrepresented as owners and managers of businesses in this country, and as U.S. Department of Transportation assisted contractors. It is the policy of the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority to encourage and increase DBE participation in contracts and programs funded by the Department.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: It is the policy of the U. S. Department of Transportation and the Authority that DBE firms shall have the equal opportunity to participate in the performance on contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds under the Authority's FTA-assisted agreement.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: The opportunity for full participation in our free enterprise system by socially and economically disadvantaged persons, including women, is essential if we are to improve the functioning of our local and national economy.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Disapprove the establishment of the overall annual goal for DBE participation: Disapproval of the FTA overall DBE annual goal would impact and delay the approval of grants by FTA.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that an overall annual goal of 20% for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation (including women-owned firms) be established for this Authority for Federal Fiscal Year 2003.
- 9.0 ATTACHMENTS: Does not apply.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.



 CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer