

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-77

AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A THREE YEAR OVERALL ANNUAL GOAL FOR DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PARTICIPATION IN THE AUTHORITY'S FEDERALLY FUNDED CONTRACT PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2016-2018, AND ITS SUBMISSION TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and the Federal Transit Administration regulations for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, require the establishment of an overall goal for the participation of DBEs in federally funded contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's DBE Program requires that the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer establish a three-year DBE goal for the use of DBEs in contracts let by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration DBE Program guidelines, the Authority has developed a three year overall annual goal of 21.7% for DBE participation in federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority in FFYs 2016-2018; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer has met with executive staff to propose a three year overall annual goal for DBE participation in Authority contracts during FFYs 2016-2018, commencing October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2018.

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

Section 1. That the three year overall annual goal for DBE participation is set at 21.7% of the total dollar amount of federally funded contracts awarded by the Authority during FFYs 2016-2018.

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer is directed to advise the Federal Transit Administration accordingly and publish this goal in accordance with the requirements of the DBE Program.

Section 3. That the three year overall annual goal hereby established for FFYs 2016-2018 is subject to review, modification, and approval by the Federal Transit Administration.

Section 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: July 28, 2015



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: ESTABLISHMENT OF A THREE YEAR OVERALL ANNUAL DBE GOAL FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2016 THRU 2018	Resolution No.: 2015-77
	Date: July 23, 2015
	Initiator: Office of Business Development
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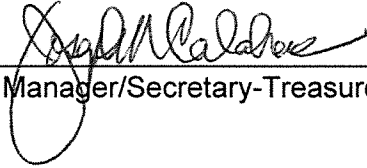
- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to establish a three year overall annual goal for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation for Federal Fiscal Years 2016 thru 2018.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Pursuant to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations for its DBE program, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 26, as amended, the Authority, as a recipient of funding from the FTA, is required to establish a three-year DBE participation goal.

The purpose of the DBE program is to help create a level playing field as related to past community-wide disparities in local contracting opportunities, so that DBE firms can more fairly compete in all facets of local contracting opportunities. The program objectives are to increase the number and quality of bids received from and contracting done with DBE firms.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: In compliance with federal regulations and guidelines, the Authority proposes a three year overall annual goal of 21.7% relative to DBE participation, in the aggregate, of all federally-assisted contracts of \$25,000 or more awarded by the Authority during FFYs 2016 thru 2018.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: This action is required to comply with the Authority's DBE Program and the Code of Federal Regulations, 49 CFR Part 26.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This action supports the continuation of GCRTA's eligibility for federal financial assistance. FTA provides grants in support of GCRTA's Capital Program.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Disapprove the establishment of the three year overall annual goal for DBE participation. Disapproval of the three year overall annual DBE goal would adversely impact and delay the awarding and approval of grants by FTA.

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- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The proposed DBE goal for FFYs 2016 thru 2018 was reviewed by the Board Committee of the Whole at its July 7, 2015 meeting and recommended for approval by the Board of Trustees. Staff recommends approval of the resolution to establish an overall DBE goal of 21.7% for DBE participation in federally assisted contracts for FFYs 2016 thru 2018.
- 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