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## Supplemental Letter for the FY 2013 Annual HUB Report – Agency 720

It is the policy of The University of Texas System, and each of its institutions, to promote and encourage contracting and subcontracting opportunities of Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) in all contracts. Measurements of supply marketplace variables, including demand for goods and services for which no HUB suppliers are available, and payments to non-certified HUB firms are important considerations in evaluating HUB program performance.

Good faith efforts include but are not limited to:

- > Participation and facilitation of 116 HUB forum events in all regions of the state.
  - Participated in 18 minority organization functions
  - o Attended 40 regional HUB conferences, workshops and outreach sessions
  - o Facilitated 6 Mentor-Protégé meetings
  - o Facilitated 52 one-on-ones between HUB firms and key U.T. System decision makers.
- The U.T. System Office of HUB and Federal Small Business Programs is a partner with several other state agencies and institutions of higher education in a Memoranda of Understanding with TAAACC and TAMACC. In addition, the HUB office supports regional minority organizations by co-hosting numerous outreach opportunities. Currently the Office of HUB and Federal Small Business Programs has representation on the advisory board of the Hispanic Contractors Association de San Antonio, the executive committee of the Texas NAACP, and the board of directors of the National Association of Black Accountants Austin Chapter and the Surety Association of South Texas.
- > Sponsorship of technical assistance workshops by the HUB office.
  - Sponsored the UT Model Contractor Training program in partnership with the City of Houston's Office of Business Opportunity. This was a 4 week training session with 27 companies enrolled.
  - Sponsored a CMR Quarterly HUB Outreach event promoting UTMB Ike Recovery opportunities-26 companies attended.
  - Sponsored 1 Professional Service HUB Outreach event to promote the West Plant Hardening RFQ opportunity-34 companies attended.
- > Focus on Mentor-Protégé Program
  - Currently have 7 active
    - 6 Construction
    - 1 Professional Services

The University of Texas System Administration, in partnership with the institutions within The University of Texas System, is committed to maximizing HUB participation by fostering collaborative efforts and innovative approaches ensuring HUB inclusion in local communities throughout the state in an effort to facilitate economic development.

The University of Texas System Administration submits this supplemental letter to provide additional information and background related to its HUB program. Please address inquiries to the Office of HUB and Federal Small Business Programs, 512-499-4530.