The DGS Procurement Division, Office of Small Business (SB) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Services (OSDS) has legal responsibility and authority to impose sanctions on firms that violate the SB or DVBE programs. Such sanctions can extend to the certified firms, non-certified firms, as well as the principals of the firms.

OSDS publishes information about sanctions under both the SB and DVBE programs. OSDS also is required to publish a list of any firms or individuals that are suspended from State contracting. The list shows the start and end dates of the period of suspension for each firm/individual.

The list of suspended firms is on the OSDS Web site at:

- [https://www.dgs.ca.gov/PD/Resources/Page-Content/Procurement-Division-Resources-List-Folder/SB-DVBE-Program-Violations-and-Sanctions](https://www.dgs.ca.gov/PD/Resources/Page-Content/Procurement-Division-Resources-List-Folder/SB-DVBE-Program-Violations-and-Sanctions)

(on “Small Business Program/DVBE Program Violations and Sanctions” to the right of the page and click on the link for “List of Suspended Firms”).

**Note:** Certified firms who have had their certification revoked or an application denied, will not have this status reflected when the buyer checks the OSDS list of certified firms on the Internet at [https://www.caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/PublicSearch/supplier-search.aspx](https://www.caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/PublicSearch/supplier-search.aspx).

**ACTION REQUIRED:** Contracting officials must check the OSDS list on-line prior to each stage of soliciting, evaluating or awarding contracts as new firms/individuals will be added and deleted from time to time.

Effective immediately, State contracting officials may not:
• extend solicitation opportunities to listed firms or individuals;
• accept or consider bids/quotations from listed firms or individuals; or
• award contracts or purchase orders to listed firms or individuals.

Any department that has current contracts with a listed firm or individual that has been suspended from State contracting should consult with legal counsel to determine whether termination of the contract is required and for instructions on how to terminate the contract.

Please ensure that all contracting or procurement staff within your department are apprised of this requirement to check the listing and the related program information.

If you have any questions regarding suspended firm(s) or individuals, or to request a list of suspended firms, please contact:

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