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- TO: Purchasing Authority Contacts (PACs) Procurement & Contracting Officers (PCOs) State Department Report Coordinators Small Business/DVBE Advocates
- RE: Assembly Bill 1960 Changes to Fiscal Year 2012-13 Voluntary Statistical Data Sheet and Ethnicity, Race, and Gender Report Amendments

The Department of General Services (DGS), Procurement Division (PD), Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS) currently provides the Voluntary Statistical Data Sheet (VSDS) that state entities are mandated, by Public Contract Code (PCC) Section 10111, to send to contractors to collect data on contractors by Ethnicity, Race and Gender classifications.

Governor Brown signed Assembly Bill (AB) 1960, PCC Subsection 10111(f), into law effective January 1, 2013. The VSDS form has been amended to add Sexual Orientation as a classification for which voluntarily submitted data must be tracked. The modification to the VSDS report will track the level of participation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender owned businesses. Additionally, the Ethnicity, Race, and Gender (ERG) Report has been amended to add the Sexual Orientation classification to the report. It is now entitled the Ethnicity, Race, Gender and Sexual Orientation (ERGSO) Report.

- Access the revised VSDS Form and ERGSO Report here:
- <u>http://www.dgs.ca.gov/pd/Programs/OSDS/ContractReporting.aspx</u>

Please use these forms when compiling your Fiscal Year 2012-13 ERGSO Report.

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact the OSDS Certification Manager:

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