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TO: Purchasing Authority Contacts (PACs)

Procurement and Contracting Officers (PCOs)

Small Business/Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Advocates

RE: Public Comment Period to Proposed Revisions to the Small Business and

Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Regulations

Purpose

This Broadcast Bulletin notifies state entities of the opportunity to provide comments to proposed changes to Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) regulations.

Public Comment Any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, may submit comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action to Department of General Services (DGS), at an online virtual public hearing, and/or in writing.

The public comment period is open through 11:59 p.m. on October 3, 2025.

Online Virtual Public Hearing

DGS will hold an online virtual public hearing via the Zoom software application from **9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.** on **October 3, 2025**. To attend the public hearing, please register and follow the Zoom instructions at this link.

At the hearing, any person attending may present statements or arguments orally or in writing. DGS requests, but does not require, that people who offer oral comments at the hearing also submit a written copy of their comments at the hearing.

Written Submissions

Written comments may be submitted to:

Office of Small Business and DVBE Services

Attention: Regulations Coordinator
707 Third Street, 1st Floor, Room 1-400

West Sacramento, CA 95605

Fax: (916) 375-4950

or

Proposed Revisions

The proposed revisions of the Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise regulations include:

- 1) Increasing the gross annual receipts maximums.
- 2) Requiring a minimum 25% Small Business participation goal for state agencies per Government Code (GC) Section 14838.
- Requiring a minimum 25% Small Business participation goal for federal Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act contracts over \$500,000 per GC Section 14838.1.
- 4) Allowing state agencies to designate competitively bid contracts solely to Small Businesses and Microbusinesses.
- 5) Including the definition of Voluntary Self-Identification.
- 6) Extending the Small Business, Small Business for the Purpose of Public Works, and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise certification period from 24 months to 36 months.
- 7) Clarifying terms and requirements associated with certifications.

To access proposed regulations, the Initial Statement of Reasons for the Proposed Regulations, and the Notice of Proposed Action, visit the PD Notice of Rulemaking Regulations for SB/DVBE webpage.

Questions

Please contact:

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