Historically Underutilized Business Program

Policy. It is the policy of the Board to promote full and equal opportunity for all businesses to supply the goods and services needed to support the mission, administrative, and logistical operations of the System, the System Administration and the Institutions. The Board commits to a good faith effort to increase purchases from and contract awards to Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) firms consistent with the state's goals for HUB participation and overall economic development.

HUB Program Guidelines. The Board directs the System Administration and each Institution to adopt and publish a policy and procedure that follows rules adopted by the Texas Office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts (“Comptroller”) concerning HUBs.

HUB Coordinators. The Chancellor and the Presidents are responsible for the planning, coordination, implementation, and enforcement of HUB policies for the System Administration and the Institutions. The Chancellor for the System Administration and the Presidents for their respective Institutions shall appoint an employee as HUB Coordinator to carry out the provisions of this Regents Rule. The HUB Coordinator must be at least equal in position to the Institution’s procurement director.

HUB Coordinator Responsibilities. HUB coordinators shall:

1. coordinate programs to recruit and train HUBs to conduct business with the System Administration and the Institutions;
2. report required information to the Comptroller;
3. match HUBs with key System Administration and Institution employees; and
4. make a good faith effort to increase the award of goods and service contracts to HUBs in accordance with state law and the Comptroller’s promulgated rules.

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