

DES MOINES AIRPORT AUTHORITY DBE PROGRAM

Objectives/Policy Statement


The Des Moines Airport Authority has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The Airport Authority has received Federal financial assistance from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the Airport Authority has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the Airport Authority to ensure that DBE's, as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in FAA-assisted contracts. It is also our policy to:

1. Ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of FAA-assisted contracts;
2. Create a level playing field on which DBE's can compete fairly for FAA-assisted contracts;
3. Ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. Ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBE's;
5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBE's in FAA-assisted contracts; and
6. Assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

Mr. John Boehmer, Director of Engineering and Planning, has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, Mr. Boehmer is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations included by the Airport Authority in its financial assistance agreements with the DOT.

The Airport Authority has disseminated this policy statement to all the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to DBE and non-DBE business entities that perform work for us on FAA-assisted contracts. The statement is also to be published in The Des Moines Register.



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Director of Engineering & Planning

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