

POLICY STATEMENT

Section 26.1, 26.23 Objectives/Policy Statement

Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority, owner of the Sidney-Richland Regional Airport, has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26 (hereafter referred to as "Part 26").

It is the policy of the Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority to ensure that DBEs as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also the Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority's policy to engage in the following actions on a continuing basis:

1. Ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT- assisted contracts;
2. Create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-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 DBEs;
5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. Promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally assisted contracts and procurement activities;
7. Assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE Program; and
8. Make appropriate use of the flexibility afforded to recipients of Federal financial assistance in establishing and providing opportunities for DBEs.

Ryan Huotari, Airport Manager, has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, Ryan Huotari 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 incurred by the Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

The Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority has disseminated this policy statement to the Airport Board and all of the components of our organization. This statement has been distributed to DBE and non-DBE business communities that may perform work on Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority DOT-assisted contracts. The distribution was accomplished by posting this Policy Statement on our website: www.richland.org.



Sidney-Richland Regional Airport Authority

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