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Mr. Marc Luiken, Commissioner  
Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities  
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Dear Mr. Luiken:

In accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR §26.45, we have reviewed the overall goal submitted by the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) in connection with your Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2012-2014 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program. For the federal-aid highway program in FFY 2012-2014, the DOT&PF submitted an overall goal of 10.82% (5.09% of which it projects to meet through race neutral means, and 5.73% through race conscious means).

Our review considered the overall goal as well as the description of the data and methodology used in arriving at your overall goal, including the base figure calculation and evidence supporting the calculation; adjustments, if any, made to the base figure and the evidence supporting these adjustments; a summary of the relevant evidence in your jurisdiction; the projection of the portion of your overall goal that you will meet through race neutral as opposed to race conscious means and the basis for your projections; and the evidence of public participation in establishing your overall goal.

After reviewing this information, we have determined that the goal setting methodology you have employed is consistent with the requirements of 49 CFR §26.45 and that you have followed the requirements for public participation in establishing your overall goal as set for in 49 CFR §26.45(g). Further we have also approved your projection of the portions of your overall goal that you expect to meet through race neutral and race conscious means. This projection is subject to modification during the fiscal year in accordance with 49 CFR §26.51.

As you are aware, the DOT&PF still needs to submit a separate overall DBE goal for programs funded by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), based upon the goal setting approach outlined in the DOT&PF's DBE program. The DOT&PF should contact its regional FTA and FAA offices for further guidance and assistance on these matters.


While no changes to the DBE program document are required in conjunction with this goal submittal, the DOT&PF will need to amend the DBE program document to reflect the approved Small Business Element (approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on July 18, 2012). Your DBE

program (approved by the FHWA December 20, 2011) contains all the elements required by 49 CFR Part 26 and therefore continues to be in compliance with the requirements for the DBE program.

The FFY 2015-2017 DBE Goal Methodology will be due to this office no later than August 1, 2014.

Please acknowledge diligence and perseverance your staff exhibited in working through this lengthy process.

Sincerely,



*David C. Miller*

*DCM* David C. Miller  
Division Administrator

Attachment: FFY 2012-2014 DBE Goal Methodology

cc: Grace San Miguel-Morfield, DOT&PF Civil Rights Office Program Manager w/o attachment  
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Pat Kemp, DOT&PF Deputy Commissioner w/o attachment  
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