NOTICE to BIDDERS on Clean Water State Revolving Fund funded projects Regarding use of Expired EPA Forms 6100-4, 6100-3, and 6100-2

The above referenced EPA forms are expired for EPA purposes. The forms are required for RI CWSRF purposes.

The RI CWSRF program uses the EPA forms in the CWSRF contract documents package for bidders and prime contractors to demonstrate that the federally required 6 Good Faith Efforts have been conducted. EPA requires that this be documented. It is an easy way to show compliance.

These forms also help the bidder demonstrate that the RI MBE/WBE 15% participation requirement (7.5% and 7.5% respectively) has been incorporated into the bid with consent of subcontractors and estimated dollar amounts. The RI MBE/WBE requirements are very similar to the now expired EPA participation requirement. In place of an EPA DBE entity, you must seek participation from RI certified Minority Business Enterprises and/or Women-owned Business Enterprises. The RI MBE/WBE Program maintains a searchable database of eligible participants: <u>https://dedi.ri.gov/divisions-units/minority-business-enterprise-compliance-office/minority-business-enterprise-mbe</u>

Having this information worked out for the bid allows the prime contractor to be able to submit to the RI MBE/WBE Compliance Office for RI Minority Business Enterprise Utilization Plan approval in a timely manner once the bid is awarded.

For questions on certified MBE/WBE participation, please contact the RI Division of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Minority Business Enterprise Compliance Office at (401) 574-8670 or <u>mbe.compliance@doa.ri.gov</u>.

RI DEDI MBE Compliance Office Webpage:

https://dedi.ri.gov/divisions-units/minority-business-enterprise-compliance-office/minoritybusiness-enterprise-mbe-0

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