

**Required Solicitation Language for
Non-small Business Preference**

The language below must be included in all written solicitations except when conducting a SB/DVBE Option solicitation or if the acquisition is less than \$5,000.00 and price has been documented to be fair and reasonable.

“A five percent (5%) bid preference is available to a non-small business claiming twenty-five percent (25%) California certified small business subcontractor participation. If claiming the non-small business subcontractor preference, the bid response must include a list of the small business(es) with which you commit to subcontract in an amount of at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the net bid price with one or more California certified small businesses. Each listed certified small business must perform a “commercially useful function” in the performance of the contract as defined in Government Code Section 14837(d)(4).

The required list of California certified small business subcontracts must be attached to the bid response and must include the following: 1) subcontractor name, 2) address, 3) phone number, 4) a description of the work to be performed and/or products supplied, 5) and the dollar amount or percentage of the net bid price (as specified in the solicitation) per subcontractor.

Bidders claiming the five percent (5%) preference must commit to subcontract at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the net bid price with one or more California certified small businesses. Completed certification applications and required support documents must be submitted to the office of Small Business and DVBE Certification (OSDC) no later than 5:00 p.m. on the bid due date, and the OSDC must be able to approve the application as submitted. Questions regarding certification should be directed to the OSDC at (916) 375-4940.”