NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES – EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POLICY STATEMENT

M/WBE AND EEO POLICY STATEMENT

I, _______________________________ (the awardee/contractor) agree to adopt the following policies with respect to the project being developed or services rendered at _______________________________.

This organization will require its contractors and subcontractors to take good faith actions to achieve the M/WBE contract participation goals and provide Equal Employment Opportunities set by NYS DOCCS for the State-funded project by taking the following steps:

**M/WBE**

1. Actively and affirmatively solicit bids for contracts and subcontracts from qualified State certified MBEs or WBEs, including solicitations to M/WBE contractor associations.

2. Utilize ESD Directory of State certified M/WBEs and solicit bids from them directly.

3. Ensure that plans, specifications, request for proposals and other documents used to secure bids will be made available in sufficient time for review by prospective M/WBEs.

4. Where feasible, divide the work into smaller portions to increase participation by M/WBEs and encourage the formation of joint ventures and other partnerships among M/WBE contractors to encourage their participation.

5. Document and maintain records of bid solicitation, including those to M/WBEs and the results thereof. The Contractor will also maintain, or, where appropriate, require its subcontractors to maintain and submit, as required by DOCCS, records of actions that its subcontractors have taken toward meeting M/WBE contract participation goals.

6. Ensure that project payments to M/WBEs are made on a timely basis so that undue financial hardship is avoided, and that bonding and/or other credit requirements may be waived and/or appropriate alternatives are developed to encourage M/WBE participation.

**EEO**

(a) This organization will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, military status, marital status, domestic violence victim status, arrest or conviction record, or predisposing genetic characteristics, and will undertake or continue existing programs of affirmative action to ensure that minority group members are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination, and shall make and document its conscientious and active efforts to employ and utilize minority group members and women in its work force on state contracts.

(b) This organization shall state in all solicitation or advertisements for employees that in the performance of the State contract all qualified applicants will be afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, military status, marital status, domestic violence victim status, arrest or conviction record, or predisposing genetic characteristics.

(c) At the request of the contracting agency, this organization shall request that each employment agency, labor union, or authorized representative will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, military status, marital status, domestic violence victim status, arrest or conviction record, or predisposing genetic characteristics, and that such union or representative will affirmatively cooperate in the implementation of this organization’s obligations herein.

(d) This organization will include the provisions of sections (a) through (c) of this agreement in every subcontract in such a manner that the requirements of the subdivisions will be binding upon each subcontractor as to work in connection with the State contract.

Agreed to this _______ day of __________________________, 20____

Sign: ________________________________________________

Print: ________________________________________________ Title: ________________________________
**Minority/ Women Business Enterprise Liaison**

________________________________ is designated as the Minority/Women Business Enterprise Liaison (Name of Designated Liaison) responsible for administering the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises-Equal Employment Opportunity (M/WBE-EEO) program.

**M/WBE Contract Goals**

_____ % Minority and Women’s Business Enterprise Participation

_____ % Minority Business Enterprise Participation

_____ % Women’s Business Enterprise Participation

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(Authorized Representative)

Title: _____________________________

Date: _____________________________

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