

USDA FIRST SCORECARD	FY2009 GOALS	FY2009 PLAN		COMMENTS FOR AGENCY												
<p><b>Initiative</b></p> <p><b>SMALL BUSINESS PROCUREMENT</b></p> <p><b>Agency Lead:</b></p> <p>OSDBU Director James House</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Goal</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>SB</td> <td>49.88%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SDB</td> <td>5%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>WOSB</td> <td>5%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HUBZone</td> <td>3%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SDVOS</td> <td>3%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Goal	SB	49.88%	SDB	5%	WOSB	5%	HUBZone	3%	SDVOS	3%	<p>Acceptable</p>	<p><u>Actions taken:</u></p> <p><u>_X_</u> Meets all Plan Requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>_X_</u> Implemented strategic plan to increase the value of competitively awarded contracts to small businesses during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Demonstrated top-level Agency commitment to small business contracting during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Planned significant events to increase small business participation in the procurement process during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Demonstrates that small business data is accurately reported in FPDS-NG during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Demonstrates that policies and procedures are in to ensure compliance with subcontracting plans and attainment of subcontracting goals during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Demonstrated no unjustified bundling has taken place during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Planned training to contracting staff/managers in executing small business/socioeconomic procurements during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Planned to collaborate on formulation of small business procurement policy initiatives during the period.</li> <li><u>_X_</u> Agency submits all strategic plans and reports that become due to SBA during the reporting period.</li> </ol>	<p><b>SBA RECOGNIZES THE AGENCY FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT</b></p> <p><b><u>BEST PRACTICES</u></b></p> <p>USDA best practices include (1) The Director of OSDBU regularly provides information to leadership at the USDA Sub cabinet, Agency Heads, Deputy Administrators for Management, and Heads of Contracting Activities level. OSDBU (2) OSDBU holds quarterly meetings with headquarters Agency Small Business Specialists, (3) OSDBU Director holds a “First Tuesday” Association Breakfast Briefing each month for small business trade association reps, their members, small business owners and their business development officers, and (4) OSDBU has worked with each USDA agency to create its own strategy for potential set-asides or sole source awards to SDVOSBs.</p> <p>OSDBU staff has developed an on-line training module, i.e. Contracting with Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSBs), which is now available on AGLearn (USDA’s electronic learning system).</p>
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