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NRC REPORTS SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN FY2007 SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission reported significant improvements in its FY2007 Small Business accomplishments over last year's contracting activities. The agency exceeded its annual goals in four of five targeted categories for small business procurement.

The NRC awarded approximately \$139 million in FY2007, and of this total, small business awards were as follows: Small Businesses (\$61.9M), Small Disadvantaged Businesses (\$19.6M), Women-Owned Small Businesses (\$12.9M), and HUBZone Small Businesses (\$6M). The only goal the NRC did not meet was for Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (\$2.3M) but the agency did increase its efforts significantly in making contracting opportunities available to this group.

At the NRC, the Office of Small Business and Civil Rights oversees this program, supported by headquarters and regional offices. "Diversity and equality can only be achieved by full participation of everyone in the small business community," said Luis Reyes, Executive Director for Operations.

An agency analysis illustrates that NRC has contributed significantly to the growth of at least 13 firms from small businesses to large businesses over the past three years and these firms continue to provide valuable services to the agency.

The Small Business Program is an advocacy program for all categories of small businesses. Through this program, the NRC seeks to identify qualified firms from among these businesses, provide them appropriate business opportunity information, and advocate their participation in obtaining NRC business.

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