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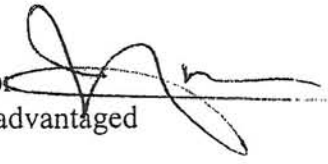
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TO: Agency Heads

FROM: James E. House, Director 
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SUBJECT: Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration
Program – Fiscal Year 2006 Set-Aside Policy

Attached is the Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Annual Set-Aside Policy for Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 for the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) and Product/Service Codes (PSCs) under the Designated Industry Groups (DIGs), Targeted Industry Categories (TICs), and Emerging Small Businesses (ESBs) (Attachment 1). This policy is based on USDA's annual report under the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program for FY 2005 (Attachment 2).

If you have questions concerning this report, please contact me at (202) 720-7117 or have a member of your staff contact Stella Hughes at (202) 720-6840.

Attachment

cc: USDA Procurement Executive, OPPM
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**USDA ANNUAL SET-ASIDE POLICY – FY 2006
DESIGNATED INDUSTRY GROUPS (DIGs) &
TARGETED INDUSTRY GROUPS (TICs)**

Designated Industry Groups (DIGs)

The small business set-aside policy is applicable to solicitations issued for all the below NAICS codes. Except for 8(a), HUBZone, Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses and procurements within the established **ESB** reserve threshold [(\$25,000 and (\$50,000 A&E)] all other **DIG** requirements over the reserve threshold shall be procured unrestricted.

Construction Groups (NAICS 236, 237, 238)

- 236210 Industrial Building Construction (set-aside APHIS only)**
- 236220 Commercial and Institutional Building Construction (set-aside OPPM only)**
- 237130 Power and Communication Line and Related Structures Construction**
- 237310 Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction (set-aside APHIS only)**
- 238190 Other Foundation, Structure, and Building Exterior Contractors (set-aside ARS only)**
- 238210 Electrical Contractors (set-aside OPPM only)**
- 238310 Dry Wall and Insulation Contractors**
- 238990 All Other Specialty Trade Contractors (set-aside FSIS only)**

Architect & Engineering Services Associated with (NAIC 541310 or 541330 and PSCs) listed below:

- PSC C-115 Industrial Buildings**
- PSC C-116 Residential Buildings**
- PSC C-118 Buildings & facilities/RD facilities**
- PSC C-119 Buildings & facilities/other building**
- PSC C-130 Restoration**
- PSC C-211 Architect-Engineering Services (including landscaping, Interior layout, and designing)**
- PSC C-214 A/E - Management Engineering Services**
- PSC C-215 A&E - Production Engineering (including design & control, and building programming)**

Architect and Engineering Services Associated with (NAIC 541360 or 541370 and Product Service Codes) listed below:

PSC T009 Aerial Photographic Services (set-aside FSA only)
PSC T014 Topography Services

Refuse Systems and Related Services Associated with (NAICS 562111, 562119, 562219 and PSC) listed below:

562111 Solid Waste Collection or (set-aside APHIS only)
562119 Other Waste Collection (set-aside APHIS only)
PSC S205 Trash Garbage Collection Service Including Portable Sanitation Services

Landscaping and Pest Control Services Associated with NAICS:

561710 Exterminating and Pest Control Services
(set-aside OPFM only)
561730 Landscaping Services (set-aside OPFM only)

Targeted Industry Categories (TICs)*

All TIC procurements regardless of dollar value shall continue to be considered for small business set-aside, 8(a), HUBZone and Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses.

***Reminder**

Please continue working towards increased procurement opportunities for participation of small, small disadvantaged, women, and service disabled veteran-owned small businesses. The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) is to be notified if a requirement under the TICs is not set-aside. A copy of the solicitation and justification for not setting the requirement(s) aside should be sent to the OSDBU.