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ISSUE SUMMARY: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal - Update

FROM: Charlotte Nash, Transportation & Air Quality Committee

IMPORTANCE:

ARC has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, 49 CFR Part 26. ARC has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, as a condition of receiving this assistance, ARC has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of ARC to ensure DBEs, as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to review and participate in DOT-assisted contracts.

ARC has reviewed the current DBE Plan and DBE Goal Setting Methodology and updated its DBE Goal based on the requirements of CFR 49 Part 26.45(c) and (d).

ACTION REQUIRED:

ARC adoption



ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
ATLANTA REGION COMMISSION'S
DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) GOAL**

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Regional Commission, pursuant to the Georgia Code Section 50-8-80 et seq., is the agency responsible for comprehensive regional planning, including transportation and land use planning for the ten-county Atlanta Region; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Regional Commission is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for transportation planning in the Atlanta Metropolitan Planning Area which includes all or parts of twenty counties; and

WHEREAS, to fund its many work activities, ARC receives direct or pass-through federal funding from agencies such as the US Department of Transportation (Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration); and

WHEREAS, as a recipient of US DOT funds totaling \$ 250,000.00 or more in a year, ARC must adopt a program to comply with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, which seeks to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts in FTA's transit programs and to create a level playing field on which DBE's can compete fairly on DOT-assisted contracts.

WHEREAS, ARC has established a DBE Program and Goal- Setting Methodology in accordance with 49 CFR Part 16; and

WHEREAS, ARC has established an overall DBE goal of 17.6% for FY 2019-2021. This goal will be advertised in all DOT-assisted contracts.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 26.45(f) ARC will submit its overall goal to DOT on August 1st every three years.

WHEREAS, the 2019 DBE Plan and DBE Goal Setting Methodology has been reviewed and approved through the Atlanta Metropolitan Planning Organization participation process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Atlanta Regional Commission certifies compliance with policies, procedures and plans with regard to 49 CFR Part 26 with regards to its DBE Plan and DBE Goal Setting Methodology; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Atlanta Regional Commission directs staff to begin efforts immediately to implement the provisions of the DBE Plan.