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SUBJECT: Chief Engineer's Directive:
DBE Program Notice to Bidders

On October 3, 2025, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) issued an Interim Final Rule (IFR) that immediately paused the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Airport Concessions DBE (ACDBE) program nationwide. Incorporate the attached Notice to Bidders language into all DOT&PF federally funded formal solicitations advertised after October 3, 2025.

The Alaska Unified Certification Program (AUCP) must recertify all DBE/ACDBE firms based on documented evidence of social or economic disadvantage. Firms will be required to submit a personal narrative and personal net worth statement.

Key Impacts:

- No DBE/ACDBE participation may be counted toward project goals until all firms are reevaluated.
- Gender and ethnicity questions have been removed from Bidder Registration forms.
- The AUCP is reviewing Alaska-based firms to support recertification efforts. The DBE Directory remains online and will be updated as firms are recertified.

Attachments: Notice to Bidders

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