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In compliance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 2161, the Board of the Authority has adopted the Comptroller's Statewide HUB Utilization Goals (34 TAC §20.284), as well as more detailed procedures for HUB participation goals in bond issues, in compliance with the published rules. These procedures are included in the Authority's strategic plan and reflected in its bond underwriting policies.

For negotiated bond underwritings approved during the FY 2020-2021 biennium, the Board has selected a pool of sixteen (16) underwriting firms that includes three disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) firms. During this reporting period, the Authority completed one (1) negotiated bond sale and closed on the refresh of the former Master Lease Commercial Program. In accordance with its standing procedures for negotiated bond sales, underwriters are selected from the Authority's underwriting pool on a transaction by transaction basis. On the one (1) negotiated bond transaction, 15% of the overall takedown of underwriting fees was paid to two (2) DBE firms. Underwriter fees are netted from bond proceeds before being deposited into the State treasury; therefore, such fees are not reflected in the Authority's overall expenditures. Regarding the Master Lease Purchase Programs, unveiled as the TPFA Revenue Commercial Paper Note Program, Series 2019A&B, the Authority selected from its underwriting pool a DBE firm to remarket Series 2019A&B commercial paper. The DBE firm will receive 100% of remarketing/dealer fees for their commercial paper remarketing efforts. For legal services for the biennium ending August 31, 2021, the Board pre-qualified a pool of eight (8) law firms, two (2) of which are HUBs, to serve as Bond Counsel on the Authority's bond issues. Bond Counsel firms are also selected on a transaction by transaction basis. A HUB firm served as co-bond counsel on the negotiated bond transaction and received 19.51% of the compensation paid for legal services. Finally, a DBE firm served as the Official Statement printer and a DBE firm served as Escrow Verification on the negotiated transaction during FY 2020, with each firm receiving 100% of the compensation paid for their respective service. The Authority reports expenditures related to bond issues to the Bond Review Board on a per issue basis, sixty (60) days after the closing of the bonds.

During FY 2020, approximately \$1.2 million or 91.39% of the Authority's total expenditures were related to Costs of Issuance and the ongoing administration of bonds. These include expenses such as rating agency, paying agent, escrow agent, verification agent, and arbitrage compliance to satisfy bond covenants, services that are only available from a few large service providers where qualified HUB and/or DBE firms are not available to perform the required services.

The Authority is committed to purchasing goods and services from certified HUB's and minority-owned businesses and continues to utilize the Centralized Master Bidders List to locate available HUB vendors. The Authority achieved 51.69% HUB participation from administrative expenditures during this period.

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