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Supplemental Summary for Annual FY 23 HUB Report for Agency 714

The University of Texas Arlington (UTA) is dedicated to promoting opportunities for Historically Underutilized Businesses to compete for university purchases and contracts. The University's policy fosters an environment that bolsters the involvement of HUB vendors across all University sectors, with the overarching goal of increasing both the volume of purchases and the number of contracts awarded to HUB suppliers. UTA's devotion to the program is demonstrated by the unwavering Commitment of the University's President, which serves as the foundational cornerstone of support for the HUB program and underscores the institution's dedication to its ongoing success.

The University's overall HUB Percentage from FY22 to FY23 despite having less total expenditure. The institution also exceeded three of the six HUB Category goals: Heavy Construction, Special Trades, and Commodities. The HUB program will continue to work to improve HUB participation in the underperforming categories.

UTA further demonstrates HUB commitment through partnerships with Trade Centers and Developmental Agencies and has multiple annual memberships across the metroplex. These consist of the Chambers of Commerce as well as other trade agencies whose mission is to advocate for policies that help create jobs and grow the economy.

The University continues to focus on outreach to ensure compliance with the Good Faith Effort to promote the HUB program. The Good Faith Effort is not only external but internal education is also a part of the HUB mission. Outreach strategies involve every practical means for informing the HUB vendor community of business opportunities. These efforts bring awareness of upcoming opportunities to include introducing HUBs to General Contractors for major capital projects. A few noteworthy achievements to the program in FY23 are as follows:

- President distributed message to entire university emphasizing dedication to achieving HUB goals
- HUB training for all new ProCard holders
- HUB Suppliers identified and updated to "Preferred" supplier status in the Amazon University account
- Attendance in numerous outreach events promoting opportunities and education of the program
- HUB participated in all Pre Bid and Post award Meetings
- HUB Subcontracting Plan Workshops for all solicitations
- Participation in HUB Discussion Working Groups (HDWG)
- Participation in UT System HUB Coordinator meetings, training, and outreach events
- Hired HUB Program Associate
- Participated in quarterly Mentor Protégé meetings

UTA supports the State of Texas HUB Program and continues to be proactive to increase HUB participation and strives to provide HUB suppliers a fair opportunity to participate in the procurement process.

Respectfully submitted,

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