

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)

FACT SHEET CERTIFICATION

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Georgia Unified Certification Program (UCP) for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE). As mandated by the United States Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) in the DBE Program, 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26, all U.S. DOT recipients of federal financial assistance must participate in a statewide UCP. The UCP is a "One-Stop Shopping" certification procedure that will eliminate the need for DBE firms to obtain certifications from multiple agencies within the state who are U.S. DOT recipients or grantees.

The UCP of Georgia is charged with the responsibility of certifying firms and compiling and maintaining a database of certified DBEs, pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26. The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is the certifying agency for the GUCP and will process all applications and maintain the database of certified DBE firms for the state of Georgia.

To apply for certification, you must complete a [Georgia Uniform Certification Program \(UCP\) Application](#) and submit it along with required supporting documentation, to Office of Equal Opportunity located at the address shown below. Once received and reviewed, the DBE file is assigned to a DBE Analyst and District EEO Review to schedule an on-site visit and interview you. Their report of findings will be forwarded to the Office of Equal Opportunity, to review all documents and determine the certification decisions based up Federal Regulations 49 CFR 26. You will then be notified in writing of the decision. If you are certified, your firm's name and the type of work you can perform will be placed in the DBE/WBE Directory. This directory is available on our website and the information is updated monthly. In meeting project DBE goals, prime contractors must use certified DBEs from this directory.

LOCATION:

Georgia Department of Transportation
One Georgia Center
600 Wet Peachtree Street, NW, 7th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30308
Phone: 404-631-1972
Fax: (404) 631-1943

Please complete the Certification Process if you wish to be considered for DBE certification and your business meets the certification standards.

BENEFITS of DBE Certification through GDOT include:

- Listing your business in a central DBE Directory
- Receiving a Federal DBE Program Certification letter
- Bidding as a DBE at all participating federally funded contracts for all DBE transportation modes including highways and public transportation

CERTIFYING PARTNER:

[MARTA](#)

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