Pursuant to the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), regulations contained in 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26, all State Transportation Agencies receiving USDOT financial assistance must establish an Annual Overall DBE Goal that determines the percentage of their program dollars to be awarded to DBEs. This action is deemed necessary in order to provide DBEs a nondiscriminatory opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and subcontracts financed in whole or part with federal funds. The Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT) is a recipient of USDOT financial assistance and hereby establishes the following overall goal in accordance with the USDOT regulations.

**FHWA- Annual Overall DBE Goal of 6.97%**

**FTA- Annual Overall DBE Goal of 2.96%**

The methodology used in establishing the Annual Overall DBE Goals will be available for review for a period of thirty (30) days during normal business hours at the following address:

**FHWA & FTA**  
Sheree Gomes  
Chief of Program Development, DBE Program  
Office of Civil Rights  
Two Capitol Hill, Room 110D  
Providence, RI, 02903  
Tel: (401) 563-4691  
E-mail: DOT.DBE@dot.ri.gov

Any questions or comments pertaining to the Annual Overall DBE Goals can be submitted to the above referenced address for a period of forty-five (45) days from the published date of this notice. All questions and comments will be reviewed and considered.

Individuals who are interested in becoming a certified DBE in Rhode Island should contact:

**Dorinda Keene**  
Minority Business Enterprise Compliance Office  
RI Department of Administration  
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Providence, RI, 02908  
(401) 574-8670