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To: Public Water Systems Eligible for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Financial Aid

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Subject: Change in “Disadvantaged Business Enterprise” (DBE) Requirements in State Fiscal Year 2015 DWSRF Assistance Agreements under $100,000

Effective July 1, 2014 applicants for DWSRF financial aid are no longer required to ensure that their prime contractor secures certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), including Minority-owned Business Enterprises (MBE) and Woman-owned Business Enterprises (WBE) for any subcontracting work that may be necessary for their project, provided that the total cost of the project is less than $100,000. Consequently, completion and submission of EPA Forms 6100 – 2 to 6100-4 is no longer required for these low cost projects.

The biggest impact this change will have is with our Emergency Power Generator Program where most of these projects cost significantly less than $100,000. The Emergency Power Generator Program (EPGP) guidelines, DPH Authorization to Commence Work Request Form and the Important information for contractors preparing price quotes have been updated on our website to reflect this change.

If you have any questions regarding this change please contact a DWSRF representative at (860) 509-7333.

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