- (7) INVESTIGATING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF BIDDERS ON SMALL BUSINESS PREFERENCES: AND
- (8) EXPLAINING TO A SMALL BUSINESS THE REASON FOR WHICH ITS BID FOR A SMALL BUSINESS PREFERENCE WAS REJECTED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former 11-140(a)(2), (c)(1), and the first sentence of (e).

As to the substitution, in the introductory language to this section, of the reference to the "Secretary of General Services, the Secretary of Transportation, and the President of the University of Maryland" for the former word "Secretary", see revisor's note to § 14-203 of this subtitle.

In items (2) and (4) of this section, the reference to "construction related services" is added to reflect the requirements of § 14-202 of this subtitle.

Also in items (2) and (4) of this section, the "supplies" is substituted for the former "products", for clarity and to conform to the language used throughout this Division II.

Defined terms: "Bid" \$ 11-101 "Construction related services" § 11-101 "Invitation for bids" § 11-101 "Procurement" § 11-101

"Procurement contract" § 11-101 "Services" § 11-101

"Small business" § 14-201

"Small business preference" § 14-201

"Supplies" § 11-101

14-205. DUTY OF DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT.

THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT SHALL HELP THE SECRETARIES OF GENERAL SERVICES AND TRANSPORTATION AND PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND IN ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES TO:

- +++--COMPILE-AND--MAINTAIN--A--COMPREHENSIVE--BIDDER+S bist-of-smalb-businesses;
- (2)--LOCATE-POTENTIAL-SOURCES-FOR-VARIOUS-SUPPLIES-AND SERVICES; -AND
- +3}--AFPIRMATIVELY--SEEK--TO-LOCATE-POTENTIAL-MINORITY BUSINESS-ENTERPRISE-SOURCES-FOR-THOSE-SUPPLIES-AND-SERVICES CARRY OUT\_§ 14-204(1) AND (2) OF THIS SUBTITLE.