- (1) provisions designating one agency to certify and decertify minority business enterprises for all units through a single process that meets applicable federal requirements;
- (2) a requirement that the solicitation document accompanying each solicitation set forth the expected degree of minority business enterprise participation based, in part, on:
- (i) the potential subcontract opportunities available in the prime procurement contract; and
- (ii) the availability of certified minority business enterprises to respond competitively to the potential subcontract opportunities;
- (3) a requirement that the unit provide a current list of certified minority business enterprises to each prospective contractor;
- (4) provisions to ensure the uniformity of requests for bids on subcontracts;
- (5) provisions relating to the timing of requests for bids on subcontracts and of submission of bids on subcontracts;
- (6) provisions designed to ensure that a fiscal disadvantage to the State does not result from an inadequate response by minority business enterprises to a request for bids;
- (7) provisions relating to joint ventures, under which a bidder may count toward meeting its minority business enterprise participation goal, the minority business enterprise portion of the joint venture;
- (8) consistent with [§ 14-302(a)(4)] § 14-302(A)(5) of this subtitle, provisions relating to any circumstances under which a unit may waive obligations of the contractor relating to minority business enterprise participation;
- (9) provisions requiring a monthly submission to the unit by minority business enterprises acknowledging all payments received in the preceding 30 days under a contract governed by this subtitle;
- (10) a requirement that a unit shall verify and maintain data concerning payments received by minority business enterprises, including a requirement that, upon completion of a project, the unit shall compare the total dollar value actually received by minority business enterprises with the amount of contract dollars initially awarded, and an explanation of any discrepancies therein;
- (11) a requirement that a unit verify that minority business enterprises listed in a successful bid are actually participating to the extent listed in the project for which the bid was submitted;
- (12) provisions establishing a graduation program based on the financial viability of the minority business enterprise, using annual gross receipts or other economic indicators as may be determined by the Board; and