

REQUIREMENTS, FINANCING, OR BIDDING PROCEDURES FOR SMALL FIRMS HAVE BEEN USED AND FOUND TO BE INEFFECTIVE.

(2) ON THE BID OF AT LEAST THREE CERTIFIED MINORITY BUSINESS CONTRACTORS, A CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED UNDER THE SHELTERED MARKET PROGRAM TO THE LOWEST OF THOSE BIDDERS.

(3) IF FEWER THAN THREE CERTIFIED MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES BID ON A CONTRACT UNDER THE SHELTERED MARKET PROGRAM, THE CONTRACT SHALL BE AWARDED UNDER THE GENERAL PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (C)(4) OF THIS SECTION.

(F) (1) THE OFFICE SHALL:

(i) CARRY OUT EACH WSSC PROGRAM THAT IS CREATED TO PROMOTE THE GROWTH OF OR PARTICIPATION BY MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES;

(ii) PROMOTE AND COORDINATE THE PLANS, PROGRAMS, AND OPERATIONS OF THE WSSC THAT PROMOTE OR OTHERWISE AFFECT THE ESTABLISHMENT, PRESERVATION, AND STRENGTHENING OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES;

(iii) PROMOTE ACTIVITIES AND THE USE OF THE RESOURCES OF THE WSSC, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND PRIVATE ENTITIES FOR THE GROWTH OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES;

(iv) PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND MANAGERIAL ASSISTANCE TO MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES; AND

(v) SCHEDULE SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS TO EDUCATE MINORITY BUSINESSES ON THE WAY THE WSSC CONDUCTS BUSINESS.

(2) TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH CERTIFIED MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE SUBCONTRACT PARTICIPATION GOALS, THE OFFICE SHALL VERIFY THAT THE CERTIFIED MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES LISTED IN THE SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION ARE ACTUALLY PERFORMING WORK AND RECEIVING COMPENSATION AS SET FORTH IN THE SCHEDULE.

(3) TO FACILITATE THE OFFICE COMPLETING ITS DUTIES UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A CONTRACTOR SHALL: