

(2) A bond is not obtainable on reasonable terms and conditions without assistance under the Maryland Small Business Surety Bond [Guaranty] Program; and

(3) The principal will not subcontract more than 75 percent of the dollar value of the contract.

13-234.6.

(a) To apply for financial assistance from the Maryland Small Business Surety Bond [Guaranty] Program pursuant to §§ 13-234 through 13-234.5 of this subtitle, a principal and, WHERE APPLICABLE, A surety shall submit to the Authority an application on the form that the Authority provides.

(b) The application shall include:

- (1) A detailed description of the government or utility project;
- (2) An itemization of known and estimated costs;
- (3) The total amount of investment required to perform the government or utility contract;
- (4) The funds available to the principal for working capital;
- (5) The amount of bonding assistance sought from the Authority;
- (6) Information that relates to the inability of the principal to obtain adequate bonding on reasonable terms through normal channels;
- (7) Information that relates to the financial status of the principal, including:
 - (i) A current balance sheet;
 - (ii) A profit and loss statement; and
 - (iii) Credit references;
- (8) A schedule of all existing and pending contracts and the current status of each; and
- (9) Any other relevant information that the Authority requests.

(c) After receipt of an application for assistance from the Maryland Small Business Surety Bond [Guaranty] Program, the Authority may determine that a principal shall provide an audited balance sheet before the Authority makes its decision on the application.

{(d) If a principal has ever defaulted on any loan or guaranty provided by the Authority, the Authority may ~~not approve a guaranty under this Part VI~~ APPROVE A GUARANTY OR BOND UNDER THIS PART VI IF:

(1) TWO YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THE TIME OF THE DEFAULT; AND