- (ii) If the principal is not an individual, a majority of the principal is owned by individuals with a reputation for financial responsibility;
- (3) The principal is a resident of Maryland or has its principal place of business in Maryland; and
- (4) The principal is unable to obtain adequate bonding on reasonable terms through normal channels.
- (c) The principal shall certify to the Authority and the Authority shall be satisfied that:
- (1) A bond is required in order to bid on a contract or to serve as a prime contractor or subcontractor;
- (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;