To: Potential Respondents

From: Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery

Date: August 27, 2019

Subject: Addendum # 1 – Management Training: Communications and Practical Skills for Managers, SP#201908_077

The purpose of this addendum is to replace Section 1.4 (Business Participation Opportunities for MWBE’s) of the Small Purchase Request for Proposals (RFP) for Professional Services for Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Management Training: Communications and Practical Skills for Managers.

The updated section is referenced below:

1.4 Business Participation Opportunities for MWBE’s and SDVOB’s

Pursuant to New York State Executive Law Article 15-A, Article 17-B, and 5 NYCRR 140-145, GOSR recognizes its obligation under the law to promote opportunities for maximum feasible participation of certified minority-and women-owned business enterprises, service-disabled veteran-owned business (SDVOB) enterprises, and the employment of minority group members, women, and service-disabled veterans in the performance of all New York State funded GOSR contracts. GOSR encourages firms that are M/WBE certified and SDVOBs in New York State, or any other city or state, or the federal government, to respond to this RFP.

For purposes of this solicitation, HTFC hereby establishes an overall participation goal of 30% for MWBE and 6% SDVOB for the above described services performed under the contract(s) awarded pursuant to this RFP. The overall 30% MWBE goal distribution is: 15% for Minority-Owned Business Enterprises and 15% for Women-Owned Business Enterprises.

Respondents for this RFP and any subsequent contracts will be strongly encouraged and expected, to the maximum extent practical and consistent with the legal requirements of the State Finance Law and the Executive Law, to use responsible and responsive SDVOBs in the fulfilment of the requirements of the contract that are of equal quality and functionality to those that may be obtained from non-SDVOBs.

Respondents that are not MWBEs and SDVOBs are strongly encouraged to consider partnering, or making other joint venture or subcontracting arrangements, with certified MWBE and SDVOB firms...
to achieve the prescribed goals and to give MWBE and SDVOB firms the opportunity to participate in the above-described services performed under the contract(s) awarded to the successful bidder(s).

The directory of MWBE’s can be viewed at https://ny.newnycontracts.com For guidance on how GOSR will determine a Contractor’s “good faith efforts,” refer to 5 NYCRR §142.8.

It is the sole responsibility of Respondents to periodically review the GOSR website for regular updates to the RFP and other important information which may alter the terms or requirements of this RFP. All other terms and conditions in the RFP remain unchanged.