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## 405 – Fiscal 2020 Annual HUB Report Supplemental Letter

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is dedicated to the utilization of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Business (HUBs) in its procurement process by providing contracting opportunities directly and indirectly with HUBs. DPSs good faith efforts ensure continued HUB participation included the following in accordance with 34 Texas Administrative Code Rule §20.284:

- Participated in one (1) Economic Opportunity Forums and HUB outreach events as a co-sponsor and exhibitor;
- Sponsored a Law Enforcement Fleet & Solutions Expo (LEFTSE) event (41 vendor exhibitors and 177 attendees);
- External Economic Opportunity Forums were held were twenty-two (22) vendors provided market research demonstrations;
- Held a specialized Speed Networking Procurement Event for commodity and services vendors;
- Provided bid opportunities, information on state procurement requirements and how to do business with DPS through HUB outreach events, one-on-one meetings, email, and by telephone;
- Conducted HUB Program training for the internal Purchasing Liaisons staff;
- Reviewed competitive solicitations identifying HUB subcontracting opportunities, participated in pre-proposal conferences, and reviewed the HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) to ensure the HSP met the good faith requirements;
- Participated in monthly meetings with DPS divisions to discuss HUB performance and provide education on the HUB program;
- Participated in the planning committee for the Comptroller's HUB EXPO, and a panel member for the Doing Business with State Agencies workshop;
- DPS presented "Writing a Winning Proposal" at the Comptroller of Public Accounts HUB Expo;
- DPS is active in the statewide HUB Coordinators Discussion Workgroup Committee and holds an executive position as the Chair; and
- DPS is active in the Texas Association of Public Purchasers Austin Chapter and holds a President position.

DPS is strongly committed to the goals identified and recognized by the State of Texas HUB Program and will continue to work to increase HUB participation as it relates to contracting and subcontracting opportunities. Should you have any questions regarding the agency's program, please contact Lisa Maldonado at (512) 424-0279 or Juana.Maldonado@dps.texas.gov

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