2016 NYS MWBE Disparity Study Public Meetings: Methodology,

Findings and Program Recommendations

Empire State Development's Division of Minority and Women's Business Development

(DMWBD) will be hosting twelve (12) 2016 NYS MWBE Disparity Study Presentation:

Methodology, Findings and Program Recommendations public meetings starting on Thursday,

August 17, 2017.

Governor Cuomo has made it a priority of his administration to promote equality of opportunity

for minority and women-owned business enterprises (MWBE) and to eliminate barriers that have

impaired access by MWBE's to state contracting opportunities.

The Disparity Study determines whether there is a disparity between the number of qualified

MWBEs, minority group members, and women ready, willing, and able to perform state

contracts, and the number of those actually engaged by the State. The results will be used to

determine what changes, if any, should be made to the MWBE program. The Study was

released publicly by ESD June of 2017; to download a copy of the Study and the FAQ sheet,

visit: https://esd.ny.gov/doing- business-ny/mwbe/mwbe-reports.

To register for meetings, visit: bit.do/MWBEDisparityStudyMtgs

Schedule of Disparity Study Meetings

Meeting Date

Brentwood: Thursday, August 17, 2017

Brooklyn: Thursday, August 17, 2017

Manhattan: Friday, August 18, 2017

Buffalo: Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Rochester: Thursday, August 24, 2017

Syracuse: Thursday, August 24, 2017

Utica: Friday, August 25, 2017

Albany: September 2017

Poughkeepsie: September 2017

Plattsburgh: Thursday, September 14, 2017

Meeting Time

10:30 AM- 12:00 PM

Location

Suffolk County Community College - Michael J. Grant Campus Health Sciences and

Education Center, Lecture Hall #105 Crooked Hill Road, Brentwood, NY 11717

Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation

1368 Fulton Street, Multi-Purpose Room, Brooklyn, NY 11216

The City College of New York

160 Convent Avenue, NAC 1/203, New York, NY 10031

Frank E. Merriweather Jr. Branch Library

1324 Jefferson Avenue, Auditorium, Buffalo, NY 14208

City Place Building

50 West Main Street, Room 3139, Rochester, NY 14614

South Side Innovation Center

2610 South Salina Street, Syracuse, NY 13205

SUNY Polytechnic Institute

100 Seymour Road, Kunsela Hall Room A-135, Utica, NY 13502

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North Country Small Business Development Center 194 US Oval, Conference Room 202,

Plattsburgh, NY 12903

3:00 PM 4:30 PM

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9:00 AM 11:00 AM

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Watertown: 9:00 AM - Friday, September 11:00 AM 14, 2017

Binghamton: TBA September 2017

Jefferson-Lewis BOCES

20104 Arsenal Street, Conference Room A-B, Watertown, NY 13601

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