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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

September 11, 2018

TO:

James Fourcade, Director

Transit Division - Maintenance

THRU:

Sandy-Michael McDonald, Director Office of Economic and Small Business Development

FROM:

Freddy Castillo, Small Business Development Manager

Office of Economic and Small Business Development

SUBJECT: No DBE Goal for the Purchase of Fifteen (15) All-Electric Transit Buses

The Transportation Department/Transit Division is seeking to procure fifteen (15) forty-foot. battery electric buses. To expedite production and delivery, Transit reported that it will be piggybacking off Georgia Public Mass Transit's Contract eRFP # 99999-001-SPD-0000152 with BYD Motors, Inc. / BYD Coach and Bus, LLC.

Consistent with U.S. Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) requirements, the purchase of buses with federal funding has been exempted from the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal setting program by the U.S. DOT; therefore, no DBE goal is applicable for this project. However, the U.S. DOT regulations require that each transit vehicle manufacturer, as a condition of being authorized to bid or propose on FTA-assisted transit vehicle procurements, certifies that it has complied with the requirements of title 49 CFR 26.49(a)(1).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this assignment, please feel free to contact our office at (954) 357-6400.

cc: Wanda del Toro, SPC III, Transit Division, Maintenance Section Oswaldo Casco, Small Business Development Specialist, OESBD