

**State of New Jersey
Executive Department**

Executive Order #151

WHEREAS, New Jersey is one of the most racially, culturally, and ethnically diverse states in the United States, and this diversity is reflected in the leaders and owners of its businesses, in the leaders and members of the labor movement, and in the employees in every segment of the workforce; and

WHEREAS, the State's business community includes multi-national enterprises, industrial, commercial, and small business sectors; and

WHEREAS, the State's thousands of small businesses, each with fewer than 100 employees, together generate almost 40% of the jobs in the State; and

WHEREAS, small, minority, and women-owned business enterprises have historically been underrepresented in the receipt of State contract awards; and

WHEREAS, the State's workforce provides New Jersey's multinational enterprises, its industrial, commercial, and small business sectors, and its public and not-for-profit sectors with highly educated, highly skilled, and highly motivated employees, who contribute to the prosperity of the State while supporting their families; and

WHEREAS, in response to the current national recession, the United States Congress enacted the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), which will increase federal spending at the State and local levels by approximately \$10 billion, and will fully fund certain work in the State, and partially fund other State projects; and

WHEREAS, given the recession and unemployment levels in New Jersey, it is imperative that every sector of the economy be offered the opportunity to benefit from the federal economic recovery funds and the State's own spending; and

WHEREAS, many of the State's businesses have significant public construction contracts and other contracts to provide goods or services to government and many others would like the opportunity to compete for these contracts to expand their businesses while serving the public; and

WHEREAS, residents of the State of New Jersey deserve a government that provides equal opportunity for all contractors to compete to submit winning bids on public contracts; and

WHEREAS, residents of the State of New Jersey, especially during these difficult economic times, deserve a government that does everything it can to expand job opportunities, particularly for men and women who are entering the workforce, who have experienced difficulties entering the workforce, or who have recently become unemployed or underemployed; and

WHEREAS, the State created an internet site, <http://www.recovery.nj.gov>, which outlines the allocation of New Jersey's share of economic recovery funds under the ARRA; and

WHEREAS, to spend ARRA funds transparently and ensure that those seeking work have a fair chance to obtain ARRA-funded employment, State agencies and entities should be required to post all State and ARRA-funded jobs on the State Job Bank internet site, <http://NJ.gov/JobCentralNJ>, to allow New Jersey residents to identify these employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the State must procure its construction services, goods, and other services as efficiently as possible, with transparency in the processing, selection, and awarding of public contracts; and

WHEREAS, robust competition for public contracts ensures that the government of the State of New Jersey obtains the construction services, goods, and other services it needs to perform its vital functions with maximum cost effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, broad and sustained efforts to notify all potential bidders of opportunities to contract with government should be encouraged to promote competition for public contracts, thus benefiting the public fisc; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey commissioned the State of New Jersey Construction Services Disparity Study 2000 – 2002 (October 2005) and the State of New Jersey Disparity Study of Procurement in Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods and Commodities (June 2005), and both studies documented significant disparities between the firms ready, willing, and able to do business with the State, and those firms actually awarded contracts by State departments, agencies, authorities, colleges, and universities, as a result of which this Administration created through Executive Order No. 34 (2006) the Division of Minority and Women Business Development (“Division of M/W Business Development”); and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 34 charged the Director of the Division of M/W Business Development with monitoring programs to increase the participation of minority and women-owned businesses in the State’s purchasing and procurement processes; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the Division of M/W Business Development, working with the Department of the Treasury’s Office of Supplier Diversity (“OSD”), has identified strategies to increase the number of small and minority and women-owned businesses interested in and eligible to benefit from state procurement activity; and

WHEREAS, the Division of M/W Business Development and OSD have increased outreach to and expanded the ability of these businesses to fulfill bid requirements for state contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance in the Department of the Treasury (Division of Contract Compliance) monitors the employment of women and minorities with businesses that contract with government in an effort to ensure that contractors and vendors make good faith efforts to hire minorities and women in accordance with targeted goals based on the United States Census’ workforce availability statistics;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JON S. CORZINE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. All members of the public should be afforded the opportunity to benefit from the federal economic recovery funds and associated state spending, and in particular, this Administration re-affirms the State’s commitment, expressed in statute and regulation, that every public contract, whether for construction services, goods, or other services, shall provide equal employment opportunity for women and minorities.
2. The Commissioners of the Departments of Community Affairs, Education, Environmental Protection, and Transportation; the President of the Board of Public Utilities; and the executive directors of the Schools Development Authority and the Economic Development Authority are directed to meet with members of the Governor’s office, the Department of the Treasury, and representatives of the United States Department of Labor’s Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) to ensure that those departments receiving the bulk of federal economic recovery funds will provide the OFCCP their complete cooperation in complying with its mandates.
3. The Division of Contract Compliance shall be the entity within the Executive Branch responsible for determining whether minorities and women have been offered a fair opportunity for employment on State contracts. Executive branch departments and agencies, independent authorities, and State colleges and universities are directed to cooperate fully with the Division of Contract Compliance’s enforcement efforts, consistent with law, and to award public contracts only to those businesses that agree to comply with equal employment opportunity and affirmative action requirements.

4. The Division of Contract Compliance shall work cooperatively with the OFCCP, including sharing its workforce data to the maximum extent permitted by law, to assist the OFCCP in its enforcement efforts.

5. When not restricted by any other State or federal law, the Division of Contract Compliance shall determine whether each of the State entities whose performance it monitors (the "Reporting Agencies" listed in Appendix A to this Order) properly allocated and released to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, as authorized by law, one-half of one percent of the total cost of a construction contract of \$1,000,000 or more, to be used by the department for the New Jersey Builders Utilization Initiative for Labor Diversity program to train minorities and women for employment in construction trades. This provision shall apply to those construction contracts where the funding for the contract consists entirely of appropriated funds or a combination of funds from appropriated funds and other sources.

6. As a result of the aforementioned significant disparities in employment of minorities and women on construction sites and within the construction trades, all construction contracts entered into and funded, in whole or in part, by the State shall include mandatory EEO/AA contract language (in the form of Appendix B to this Order) that requires contractors to make a good faith effort to recruit and employ minorities and women as required by provisions of the Administrative Code, including but not limited to N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.6 to 3.8, and 17:27-7.3 and 7.4. In addition to the language set forth in Appendix B, such construction contracts shall contain the contractual language as required by N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.6, 3.7, and 3.8. As to the portion of each contract that is State funded, the language of the contract shall provide, consistent with Appendix B, that payment may be withheld for failure of the contractor to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Reporting Agency that the required good faith effort was made. Failure of a contractor to satisfy the good faith effort requirement of its contract may also subject it to assessments imposed pursuant to findings of the Division of Contract Compliance in the Department of the Treasury, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-10.

7. Except as described in subparagraphs (a) and (b) of this paragraph, each Executive Branch agency that is a recipient of federal economic recovery funds pursuant to ARRA shall include in any contract, grant, or agreement funded in whole or in part with ARRA funds a clause requiring subrecipients, contractors, subcontractors, local education agencies, and vendors to post all job openings created pursuant to the contract, grant, or agreement on the State's Job Bank at least 14 days before hiring is to commence. The clause shall state: "Since the funds supporting this contract, grant, or agreement are provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), the subrecipient, contractor, subcontractor, local education agency, or vendor will post any jobs that it creates or seeks to fill as a result of this contract, grant, or agreement. The subrecipient, contractor, subcontractor, local education agency, or vendor will post jobs to the New Jersey State Job Bank by submitting a job order using the form available at <http://NJ.gov/JobCentralNJ>, notwithstanding any other posting the subrecipient, contractor, subcontractor, local education agency, or vendor might make. Any advertisements posted by the subrecipient, contractor, subcontractor, local education agency, or vendor for positions pursuant to this contract, grant, or agreement must indicate that the position is funded with ARRA funds."

a. Posting shall not be required where the employer intends to fill the job opening with a present employee, a laid-off former employee, or a job candidate from a previous recruitment, where pre-existing, legally binding collective bargaining agreements provide otherwise, or where an exception has been granted to the Reporting Agency by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

b. Nothing in this Order shall be interpreted to require the employment of apprentices if such employment may result in the displacement of journey workers employed by any employer, contractor or subcontractor.

8. All local government entities and local education agencies that have received or will receive directly from a federal agency federal economic recovery funds are strongly encouraged to require their contractors and subcontractors to post job openings on the State's Job Bank at least 14 days before hiring is to commence. Moreover, all New Jersey employers that enter into contracts funded with ARRA funds received by a local government entity or a local education agency directly from a federal agency are likewise strongly encouraged to post job openings created pursuant to the ARRA.

9. The Division of M/W Business Development shall send to the Reporting Agencies the contractual language set forth in Appendix C of this Order. Provisions of this contractual language have been shown to have a significant impact on

(a) increasing the number of small and minority and women-owned businesses aware of contracting opportunities with the State and (b) increasing the number of such businesses competing for contracts with the State or subcontracts with entities contracting with the State. The Division of M/W Business Development shall work with each Reporting Agency to ensure the reporting of and ensure compliance with contract-specific contracting and subcontracting goals for the Reporting Agency that are consistent with the availability percentages set forth in Appendix D. These goals should incorporate good faith effort requirements and should be adjusted annually, consistent with the availability of minority and women-owned businesses for which significant disparities in utilization have been demonstrated in each business category.

10. Each Reporting Agency shall:

a. Inform the Division of M/W Business Development of contracting opportunities at the same time that it advertises or otherwise posts public notices of such opportunities, via consistent and timely upload of all-inclusive information to the bid opportunities database services managed by the Division of M/W Business Development. All pre-bid requirements shall be prominently advertised at the time of uploading to the Division of M/W Business Development databases;

b. Actively and regularly use the databases and other on-line services managed and operated by the Division of M/W Business Development to identify additional potential bidders. Because these databases and on-line services identify minority and women-owned businesses known to and registered or certified with the Division of M/W Business Development, the ongoing use of these resources by buyers, procurement agents, and other purchasing staff shall be closely monitored by the Reporting Agency's senior management;

c. Contact the businesses identified in the Division of M/W Business Development's databases and on-line services to provide them with notice of the contracting opportunities available through the Reporting Agency; and

d. Report to the Division of M/W Business Development all payments and awards prime contractors have issued to subcontractors, identifying payments and awards to minority and women-owned businesses on at least a quarterly basis.

11. To the maximum extent practicable, and when not restricted by any other State or federal law, each Reporting Agency shall incorporate the substance of the contractual language set forth in Appendix C into its contracts, while continuing to follow the particular State and federal laws and regulations governing its contracting and procurement practices.

12. Each Reporting Agency shall, where substitution of subcontractors or sub-consultants is permitted, promulgate policies governing the circumstances under which contractors or consultants may substitute subcontractors or sub-consultants named in bid proposals or otherwise identified as small or women or minority-owned business subcontractors, sub-consultants, or vendors ("Substitution Policies"). The Substitution Policies shall provide that:

a. The contractor or consultant must notify and obtain approval from a small or women or minority-owned business subcontractor, sub-consultant, or vendor ("SMWBE contractor") before including that contractor in a bid proposal or similar contract-related submission;

b. The contractor or consultant must notify and obtain authorization from the Reporting Agency before it substitutes a SMWBE contractor named in a bid proposal or other contract-related submission; and

c. If the substitution is approved, the contractor or consultant shall make a good faith effort to utilize another SMWBE contractor in place of the previous SMWBE contractor.

13. Each Reporting Agency shall report to the Division of M/W Business Development when it has incorporated the language set forth in Appendix C in its contracts. It shall also report to the Division of M/W Business Development when it has adopted its Substitution Policy, where such policy is permitted. The Division of M/W Business Development shall report on the number of Reporting Agencies that have modified their contracts and adopted a

Substitution Policy at three month intervals until all of the Reporting Agencies have completed incorporation of the contractual language set forth in Appendix C and, where legally permitted, adoption of the Substitution Policy.

14. Nothing in this Order shall modify existing law, state or federal, or authorize a Reporting Agency to amend, modify, or otherwise alter pre-existing legal obligations. Further, this Order shall be interpreted consistently with the ARRA, and the federal regulations and guidelines governing its implementation, and in the event of a conflict between this Order and federal law governing ARRA, the Order shall be interpreted to comply with federal law.

15. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, the Division of M/W Business Development shall prepare a Contracting Guide identifying the management practices that have the greatest success in: (a) increasing the number of small and minority and women-owned businesses made aware of contracting opportunities with the State; and (b) increasing the number of such businesses competing for contracts with the state or subcontracts with entities contracting with the state. As soon as practicable thereafter, the Division of M/W Business Development shall distribute the Contracting Guide to the Reporting Agencies.

16. As soon as practicable after its receipt of the Contracting Guide, each Reporting Agency shall implement those provisions that it views as most likely to have the greatest impact in increasing contracting opportunities for small and minority and women-owned businesses.

17. Within one year and ninety days of the effective date of this Order, the Division of M/W Business Development and the Division of Contract Compliance shall each prepare a report describing the Reporting Agencies' implementation of this Order. The Division of M/W Business Development and the Division of Contract Compliance each shall prepare a second report within one year of issuing its first report.

18. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development shall work together with all other Reporting Agencies that will receive ARRA funding and with the representatives of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Federal Departments of Labor, Energy, Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and any other federal agencies distributing ARRA funds to:

- a. Coordinate with labor unions that will aggressively recruit minorities and women for apprenticeships and training opportunities;
- b. Increase outreach to and enrollment of minorities and women in apprenticeship, training, and related programs; and
- c. Ensure that, to the greatest extent possible under the law, minorities and women apprentices and trainees are working on State and ARRA-funded work sites.

19. The Department of the Treasury and other departments, agencies, and independent authorities shall, consistent with law, take steps to increase their engagement of small, minority, or women-owned or controlled banks and credit unions to meet their financial services needs.

20. This Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 28th day of August
Two Thousand and Nine, and of the Independence of
the United States, the Two Hundred and Thirty-Fourth.

/s/ Jon S. Corzine

Governor

[seal]

Attest:

/s/ Kay Walcott-Henderson

First Assistant Chief Counsel

APPENDIX A

LIST OF REPORTING AGENCIES

Board of Public Utility Commissioners
Casino Control Commission
Casino Reinvestment Development Authority
Commission on Higher Education
Commission on Science & Technology
Council on Affordable Housing
Department of Agriculture
Department of Military & Veterans' Affairs
Department of Banking & Insurance
Department of Children & Families
Department of Community Affairs
Department of Corrections
Department of Education
Department of Environmental Protection
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Human Services
Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Department of Law & Public Safety
Department of Public Advocate
Department of State
Department of Transportation
Department of the Treasury
Division of Property Management and Construction
Election Law Enforcement Commission
Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Planning Authority
Garden State Preservation Trust
Higher Education Student Assistance Authority
Kean University
Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission
Montclair State University
Motion Picture Commission
Motor Vehicle Commission
New Jersey City University
New Jersey Cultural Trust
New Jersey Institute of Technology
New Jersey Transit
NJ Building Authority
NJ Economic Development Authority
NJ Educational Facilities Authority
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust
NJ Health Care Facilities Financing Authority
NJ Highlands Council
NJ Housing & Mortgage Finance Agency
NJ Maritime Pilot and Docking Pilot Commission
NJ Meadowlands Commission
NJ Pinelands Commission
NJ Public Television & Radio (NJN) NJ Racing Commission NJ Redevelopment Authority
NJ Schools Development Authority
NJ Sports & Exposition Authority
NJ State Museum
NJ Turnpike Authority

NJ Water Supply Authority
North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority
North Jersey District Water Supply Commission
Office of Homeland Security
Office of Information Technology
Office of the Child Advocate
Office of the Inspector General
Office of the Public Defender
Ramapo College
Rowan University
Rutgers University
South Jersey Port Corporation
South Jersey Transportation Authority
South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization
State Agriculture Development Committee
State Economic Recovery Board For Camden
State Ethics Commission
State Employment & Training Commission
State Lottery Commission
Stockton College
The College of New Jersey
Thomas Edison State College
Transportation Trust Fund Authority
University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey
William Paterson University

APPENDIX B

It is the policy of the [Reporting Agency] that its contracts should create a workforce that reflects the diversity of the State of New Jersey. Therefore, contractors engaged by the [Reporting Agency] to perform under a construction contract shall put forth a good faith effort to engage in recruitment and employment practices that further the goal of fostering equal opportunities to minorities and women.

The contractor must demonstrate to the [Reporting Agency]'s satisfaction that a good faith effort was made to ensure that minorities and women have been afforded equal opportunity to gain employment under the [Reporting Agency]'s contract with the contractor. Payment may be withheld from a contractor's contract for failure to comply with these provisions.

Evidence of a "good faith effort" includes, but is not limited to:

1. The Contractor shall recruit prospective employees through the State Job bank website, managed by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, available online at <http://NJ.gov/JobCentralNJ>.
2. The Contractor shall keep specific records of its efforts, including records of all individuals interviewed and hired, including the specific numbers of minorities and women.
3. The Contractor shall actively solicit and shall provide the [Reporting Agency] with proof of solicitations for employment, including but not limited to advertisements in general circulation media, professional service publications and electronic media.
4. The Contractor shall provide evidence of efforts described at 2 above to the [Reporting Agency] no less frequently than once every 12 months.

5. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements set forth at N.J.A.C. 17:27.

APPENDIX C

It is the policy of the [Reporting Agency] that small businesses (each a “small business enterprise” or “SBE”), as determined and defined by the State of New Jersey, Division of Minority and Women Business Development (“Division”) and the New Jersey Department of the Treasury (“Treasury”) in N.J.A.C. 17:14 et seq. or other application regulation, should have the opportunity to participate in [Reporting Agency] Contracts.

To the extent the Firm engages subcontractors or sub-consultants to perform Services for the [Reporting Agency] pursuant to this Contract, the Firm must demonstrate to the [Reporting Agency]’s satisfaction that a good faith effort was made to utilize subcontractors and sub-consultants who are registered with the Division as SBEs. Furthermore, the Reporting Agency shall be evaluated quarterly by the Division, based on its attainment of the Participation Goals set forth in the State of New Jersey Construction Services Disparity Study (October 2005) and the State of New Jersey Disparity Study of Procurement in Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods and Commodities (June, 2005). (These participation goals are set forth below.)

Evidence of a “good faith effort” includes, but is not limited to:

1. The Firm shall request listings of SBEs from the Division (609) 292-2146 and/or the [Reporting Agency] and attempt to contact same.
2. The Firm shall keep specific records of its efforts, including records of all requests made to the Division, the names of SBEs contacted, and the means and results of such contacts, including without limitation receipts from certified mail and telephone records. 3. The Firm shall actively solicit and shall provide the [Reporting Agency] with proof of solicitations of SBEs for the provision of Services, including advertisements in general circulation media, professional service publications and small business, minority-owned business or women-owned business focus media.
4. The Firm shall provide evidence of efforts made to identify categories of Services capable of being performed by SBEs.
5. The Firm shall provide all potential subcontractors and sub-consultants that the Firm has contacted pursuant to 2 or 3 above with detailed information regarding the scope of work of the subject contract.
6. The Firm shall provide evidence of efforts made to use the goods and/or services of available community organizations, consultant groups, and local, State, and federal agencies that provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of SBEs.

Furthermore, the Firm shall submit proof of its subcontractors’ and/or sub-consultants’ SBE registrations on the form attached as Exhibit ___, and shall complete such other forms as may be required by the [Reporting Agency] for State reporting as to participation.

Participation Goals

1. Construction Services Contracts/Subcontracts (including new construction and renovations, except routine building maintenance; residential and non-residential building construction; heavy construction, such as streets, roads and bridges; and special trade construction, such as fencing, HVAC, paving and electrical).

(a) State Agencies/Authorities/Commissions

African Americans -- 6.3%
Asian Americans -- 4.34%

(b) State Colleges and Universities

African Americans -- 6.3%
Asian Americans -- 4.34%
Caucasian Females -- 12.67%

2. Construction-Related Services Contracts/Subcontracts (including design services, such as architectural, engineering and construction management services, that are performed as part of a construction project).

State Colleges and Universities

African Americans -- 4.51%
Asian Americans -- 7.11%
Hispanics -- 4.09%

3. Professional Services (with the exception of those professional services deemed to be construction-related, all services that are of a professional nature and requiring special licensing, education degrees and/or very highly specialized expertise, including accounting and financial services, advertising services, laboratory testing services; legal services; management consulting services; technical services and training).

State Agencies/Authorities/Commissions/Colleges and Universities

African Americans -- 2.47%
Asian Americans -- 1.47%
Hispanics -- 1.1%
Native Americans -- 0.07%
Caucasian Females -- 3.74%

4. Other Services (any service that is labor-intensive and neither professional nor construction-related, including, but not limited to equipment rental; janitorial and maintenance services; landfill services; laundry and dry cleaning; maintenance and repairs; printing; real property services; security services; special department supplies; subsidy, care and support; telecommunications; and temporary help).

State Agencies/Authorities/Commissions/Colleges and Universities

African Americans -- 1.22%
Asian Americans -- 0.85%
Hispanics -- 0.67%
Native Americans -- 0.05%
Caucasian Females -- 1.96%

5. Goods and Commodities (equipment and consumable items purchased in bulk, or a deliverable product including, but not limited to automobiles and equipment; chemicals and laboratory supplies, construction materials and supplies; equipment parts and supplies; fuels and lubricants; janitorial and cleaning supplies; office equipment; office supplies; radio equipment; special department supplies; technical supplies; tires and tubes; traffic signals; and uniforms).

State Agencies/Authorities/Commissions/Colleges and Universities

African Americans -- 2.71%
Asian Americans -- 1.74%
Hispanics -- 1.32%
Native Americans -- 0.10%
Caucasian Females -- 4.45%

Appendix D

Consistent with the findings of the State of New Jersey Construction Services Disparity Study (October 2005) and the State of New Jersey Disparity Study of Procurement in Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods and Commodities (June 13, 2005), each Reporting Agency should aspire to allocate a portion of its total contracting dollars in accordance with the following goals.

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GIVEN, under my hand and seal this 28th day of August
Two Thousand and Nine, and of the Independence of
the United States, the Two Hundred and Thirty-Fourth.

/s/ Jon S. Corzine

Governor

[seal]

Attest:

/s/ Kay Walcott-Henderson

First Assistant Chief Counsel