DBE Directory FAQs

How do I use this directory?

The Florida UCP DBE Directory is published to help contractors and consultants identify subcontractors and subconsultants eligible to participate on federally funded contracts towards the attainment of DBE goals.

What's the difference between DBE and ACDBE certification?

❖ Except for size and Personal Net worth (PNW) standards, the eligibility criteria of Part 23 for ACDBEs are almost identical to those of Part 26.

Are DBE and MBE the same?

- ❖ DBE certification is a part of the federal DBE program. It is separate and distinct from the State Minority, Women, and/or Service-Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises Program (MBE). Information regarding the MBE program is located with the Florida Department of Management Services: Office of Supplier Diversity.
- ❖ The FDOT Equal Opportunity Office (EOO) is responsible for ensuring that DBE information is accurate. Information related to MBE and non-DBE firms is provided by external sources and cannot be changed by the EOO.

HOW ARE CERTIFYING UCP MEMBER DESIGNATIONS DETERMINED?

Per the Florida UCP Agreement certifying members are responsible for certifying DBE/ACDBE firms who perform work in their respective fields of expertise (highway and bridge, aviation, and transit). To that end, certifying members are responsible for DBE certifications as follows:

- ❖ If your firm engages in or intends to engage primarily in <u>road, highway or bridge</u> planning, design, construction or maintenance related goods and services: submit your DBE application to FDOT, regardless of your location in Florida.
- ❖ If your firm engages in or intends to engage primarily in <u>airport related</u> goods and services, including concessions, submit your DBE application to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Certifying Member located closest to your primary place of business or with the FAA Certifying Member whom you have an ongoing contractual relationship.

- ❖ If your firm engages in or intends to engage primarily in <u>transit related</u> goods and services, including concessions, submit your DBE application to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Certifying Member located closest to your primary place of business or with the FTA Certifying Member whom you have an on-going contractual relationship.
- ❖ NOTE: To become a member of Florida's UCP DBE Program email DBECert.Help@dot.state.fl.us

When I hit the "Run Report" button nothing happens

❖ Answer: Most popular browsers will view this site without issue. However the suggested browser is the latest version of Internet Explorer Web Browser. Internet Explorer 9 (IE9) or higher is required to "run reports" in the directory. Refer to the Web Browser Compatibility section in this Help Guide.

How do I update my firm's contact information?

❖ Answer: Contact your Florida UCP Certifying Member. UCP Member contact information (name, email, and phone) is available on the UCP Member Contacts tab or send an email to DBECert.Help@dot.state.fl.us.

Why are there no work locations listed?

❖ Answer: The firm has indicated that they are available to work statewide or the firm has indicated that they are not available to work statewide, but not has specified which FDOT District or Florida County they are available to work.

How do I add NAICS codes or change my available work location?

Answer: Call your Florida UCP Certifying Member or send an email request to <u>DBECert.Help@dot.state.fl.us</u>.