STAFF REPORT
Board Meeting of May 17, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: 4-I

PREPARED BY: Sandy Ebersole, Administrative Analyst

SUBJECT:

Annual Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Submittal for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Enclosure: No

Action: Information and Discussion Only

SUMMARY:

MCTC is required to establish a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. MCTC is eligible to receive federal financial assistance from the DOT and as a condition of receiving this assistance, MCTC is required to sign an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

The proposed policy of MCTC to ensure that DBEs, as defined in part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts is as follows:

- To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
- To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
- To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
- To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
- To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT-assisted contracts; and
- To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the approved 2022-23 Overall Work Program and Budget.