## **Overall Goal Calculation**

### **Overall Goals**

Clemson Area Transit will expend \$3,000 in DBE Contracts with a DBE Goal of 1% for FY 2023-2026.

The amount of contracts expected for FY 23-26 is \$1,015,000. Given this amount, CAT has set a goal of expending \$3,000 on DBE contracts during FY 2023-2026.

In accordance with Section 26.45, Clemson Area Transit will submit its triennial overall DBE goal to FTA as scheduled. The process that will be used by CAT to establish overall DBE goals is as follows:

Clemson Area Transit goal setting process is:

## A. Step One - Establishing a Base Figure.

a. The Base Figure represents the relative availability of ready, willing, and able DBE firms as compared to all firms ready, willing, and able to perform for CAT. Some of CAT's vendors are chosen based on contracts provided by the City of Clemson, contracts provided by the state, and vendor pricing and availability to meet CAT's specific needs. The City of Clemson provides many services CAT requires. The ratio for CAT is:

# DBEs Non-DBEs and DBEs

Clemson Area Transit chose to utilize the number of DBEs in the SCUCP Directory based on services CAT will need in the following three years to determine the base figure. CAT counted the number of available firms eligible to perform the services they needed. CAT identified 7 – bus manufactures, 164 –bus shelter vendors, and 302 advertising.

Clemson Area Transit utilized the most recent census bureau data to determine the total number of transportation bus manufactuer, bus shelter vendors, and advertsing vendors in the South Carolina market area. CAT identified 473 firms under North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes 236220, 423110, and 541850. Using the data collected, CAT determined the relative availability of DBEs for public transit contracts in the market is 3.9%, as indicated below:

5 DBEs = 1% 473 Total Market Area Firms

**Table 1: Relative Availability DBEs by Categories of Work** 

NAICS CODES	CATEGORY OF WORK	Certified DBEs	Non-DBEs and DBEs Total
423110	Bus	0	7
236220	Bus Shelters	3	164
541850	Advertising	2	302
TOTAL		5	473

## B. Adjusting the Base Figure 49 CRF 26.45.

a. CAT DBE Base Figure is the same as the last calculation, therefore an adjustment based on past participation is not available. CAT's base figure is not the goal of another recipient. The goal is independent with CAT. Upon further review, the evidence shows that CAT's base figure does not need to be adjusted.

Clemson Area Transit will establish project-specific DBE goals as appropriate for each DOT-assisted contract.

Clemson Area Transit's overall goal submission to DOT will include: the goal and a copy of worksheets used to develop the goal.

If Clemson Area Transit establishes a goal on a project basis, CAT will begin using their goal by the time of the first solicitation for a DOT-assisted contract for the project. CAT's goal will remain effective for the duration of the three year period established and approved by FTA.

## C. Contract Dollars Available

**Table 2: Available Transit Contract Dollars** 

NAICS CODES	CATEGORY OF WORK	<u>Certified</u> <u>DBEs</u>	Non-DBEs and DBEs Total	Contracting Opportunities
236220	Bus Shelters	3	164	\$10,000
423110	Bus	0	7	\$1,000,000
541850	Advertising	2	302	\$5,000
TOTAL		5	473	\$1,015,000

Table 2 indicates Clemson Area Transit's possible contract opportunities for the next 3 years.

Based on the above analysis, Clemson Area Transit proposes to establish its FY 2023-2026 overall DBE transit goal of 1% to be met through race neutral measures.

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### D. Race-Neutral Measures

Clemson Area Transit estimates that in meeting their overall goal of 1%, CAT will obtain 100% from race-neutral participation. CAT will use the following race-neutral means to increase DBE participation:

- 1. Training all CAT staff who are involved in procurement about the DBE program and about utilizing DBEs.
- 2. Soliciting new DBEs to participate in CAT procurements.
- 3. Assist existing providers who are eligible for DBE status to register with SCDOT.