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*Save the
Date*

2007 DBE Annual Meeting

**Wednesday - Thursday
September 12-13
Millennium Maxwell
House Hotel
Nashville, Tennessee**

**Call:
1-800-457-4460
or Register Online**

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additional dates and events

TENNESSEE UNIFORM CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Member Agencies

Tennessee Department of
Transportation*

Metropolitan Knoxville Airport
Authority*

Chattanooga Metropolitan Airport
Authority*

Memphis Shelby County Airport
Authority*

Metropolitan Nashville Airport
Authority*

Chattanooga Area Regional
Transportation Authority*

Memphis Area Transit Authority*

Jackson Transit Authority

Smyrna Airport Authority

Tri-Cities Airport Commission

Clarksville Transit System

Regional Transportation Authority
(Middle TN)

Metropolitan Transit Authority
(Davidson County)

Knoxville Area Transit

Jackson Airport Authority

Johnson City Transit

*Certifying member

The Tennessee Uniform Certification Program (TNUCP) provides "one-stop" certification services to minority-and-women-owned businesses seeking to participate as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) in contracts funded by the United States Department of Transportation. (USDOT).

As mandated in the DBE Program by USDOT, the TNUCP was formed per Final Rule 49 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 26 which stipulates that all USDOT recipients of federal financial assistance must participate in the TNUCP. This regulation has been established to provide ease for applicants seeking DBE certification within the state of Tennessee. The regulation eliminates the need for DBE applicants to obtain certifications from multiple agencies with the state.

Certification decisions by any TNUCP partner will be binding on all USDOT recipients within the state of Tennessee. The USDOT DBE Program is mandated by federal guidelines and applies only to USDOT assisted contracts and programs. Therefore, this program does not apply to other state of Tennessee departments and/or local programs.

The TNUCP has been formed to verse responsibility of certifying DBE applicants and compiling and maintaining a single statewide database of certified DBEs, pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26. The database is intended to expand the use of DBE firms by maintaining complete and current information on those DBEs and the services and/or products they can provide to all USDOT grantees in Tennessee. TNUCP participants include transit agencies, airports, and the state of Tennessee Department of Transportation that administer and award contracts funded by USDOT.

The DBEs listed on the TNUCP DBE Listing are eligible to participate on all USDOT funded contracts administered by a TNUCP partner. There are many benefits to a DBE in the TNUCP Program, including increased marketing and business exposure of their company on a statewide database.

Meet...B&B Lawn Services, LLC

Baffin Harper of B&B Lawn Services, LLC has a winning combination in today's business world. He is warm and expressive, yet realistic and competitive in his commitment to his company's success. Having developed the Knoxville-based business with his son, Baffin Harper, Jr., since 1987, Mr. Harper managed to take the company from two employees to its current 13 employees.

B&B has been a contractor with the Knoxville City School System, the City of Knoxville and the Knoxville Utility Board for 10 years maintaining and restoring numerous properties throughout the metropolitan area, including 21 schools. In addition to grounds maintenance, B&B provides erosion control, irrigation, shrub removal, landscaping, fence installation, site cleanup, seeding and fertilizing.

Their expertise in secondary containment and constructing check dams is a valuable service available to TDOT which has strict guidelines for environmental protection and prevention of runoff contamination. B&B has a successful track record of being dependable, adhering to schedules, and working well with customer management.

Mr. Harper compliments the online access of the Construction Management Development Program (CMDP) implemented by TDOT's Supportive Services provider Business Resource Group. He is currently enrolled in the Financial and Accounting Module. Attending TDOT-BRG events in Nashville and Chattanooga as well as Knoxville contributes to B&B's efforts to position themselves as a key contracting DBE with TDOT.



Baffin Harper



Baffin Harper, Jr.

B & B Lawn Services, LLC

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2007 DBE ANNUAL MEETING



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The Civil Rights Office / Small Business Development Program

Wednesday-Thursday
September 12-13

Millennium Maxwell
House Hotel
2025 Metro Center
Boulevard
Nashville, Tennessee
37228
1.800.457.4460
Fax 615.313.1310

For accommodation
information, phone
1.800.457.4460
and identify that you
will be attending the
TNDOT meeting.

Online: Make reservations via the Internet
<http://reservations.synxis.com/LBE/rez.aspx?Hotel=11542&Chain=5303&lang=1&group=TNDOT>

Website: www.millenniumhotels.com/nashville
(enter group code TNDOT where prompted)

Room Rate: \$99.00 per night plus taxes
(participant responsible for making
accommodation arrangements)

Reservation Cut-off August 22, 2007

Complimentary Parking

For further assistance, contact
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Annual Meeting Tentative Program

September 12, 2007

1:00—5:00 pmRegistration
1:30—4:30 pmTraining and TDOT DBE/
Prime Matchmaker
5:00—7:00 pmReception

September 13, 2007

7:30—8:30 am.....Registration
8:30—10:00 am.....Welcome Power Breakfast
10:15—11:30 am.....Challenges Facing DBEs,
Prime Contractors, and TDOT Panel of
Transportation Experts
11:45 am—1:45 pm Power Luncheon
and Awards Ceremony
Guest Speaker: Derek Young
2:00—4:00 p.m. Breakout Agenda (Tentative)

Have a Safe Journey!

PARTNERSHIP NEWS

Tennessee Road Builders Association (TRBA)

TRBA provides its members with a number of services that help them effectively run their business. The association conducts cost-effective training programs, rewards members for safe work sites, and holds a mid-year meeting and a convention each year. TRBA also has a **Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Trust Program**, which was started in 1993.

The motto of the Tennessee Road Builders Association has always been "Good Roads Save Lives, Time and Money!" TRBA is more committed to that motto than ever before. With the partnership between TRBA, TDOT and elected and government

officials, Tennessee's highway system is one of the safest, cost-effective and efficient in the nation.

Thank you TRBA for your support to the TDOT Small Business Development/Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Supportive Services Program.

For more information on the TRBA, contact:
Regina Bell or Kent Starwalt at 615.255.5751

~ WELCOME ~

Recently Certified DBE Firms

Region I

AMARC, LLC
Knoxville, TN
Cynthia Aikins
Industrial safety, supplies and 7 materials

Hicks & Ingle Corporation
Knoxville, TN
Katrina M. Ivey
Plumbing, heating and air conditioning contractor

Out of State

APMI Corporation
Monroe, NC
Linda Blount
Pavement markings

Banneker Energy, LLC
Sandy Springs, GA
Lothario Tolbert
Petroleum and petroleum products merchants wholesalers (except bulk stations and terminals)

Court One Corporation
Norfolk, VA
Stacey Comartos
Fence installation

Global Conveyor Installation, Inc.
Fort Myers, FL
Brandon B. Henry
Conveyor installation services

OLH, Inc.
Atlanta, GA
Myka Harris-Barbato
Construction management

TDOT DBE & Prime Contractors Matchmaker

September 12, 2007
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

TDOT DBE Annual Meeting

Millennium Maxwell House Hotel
Metro Center Boulevard
Nashville, Tennessee

The purpose of this meeting is to share information about doing business with TDOT as well as to discuss upcoming construction projects. Prime contractors will be at the meeting to meet with DBEs. Appointments will be scheduled to meet with prime contractors in the matchmaking session.

If you want to do business with TDOT, or if you would like to increase the business you are currently doing, this session is an opportunity for your firm.

To RSVP, contact:

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Toll Free: (866) 765-4274

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Mid-Year Reminder to All DBEs!

Make sure you have completed your annual Pre-Qualification information for construction. Remember, you cannot be AWARDED a construction contract if you have not been pre-qualified by the TDOT construction office.

Make sure your DBE certification is current. All renewal information must be submitted to Ross Webb each year.

Pre-Qualification and DBE Certification are separate processes.

You may obtain these forms by going to TDOT website:

www.tdot.state.tn.us/construction

www.tdot.state.tn.us/civil-rights

Or call Carol Crawley @ (866) 765-4274 to obtain Login ID

2007 Letting Dates

Letting	August 31
Letting	October 19
Letting	TBA
	(Mowing and Litter Removal)
Letting	December 7



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