

Management's Progress Notes for OIG Report IO-16-001
[Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Evaluation]

Since the issuance of this report in December 2015, management has followed up on all the OIG recommendations. Key items include:

- Validation by the DBE manager of the completion and accuracy of monthly Procurement (PRMT) reports;
- Met with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to ensure the reports meet federal requirements;
- Use of Contract Lifecycle Management (CLM) when fully implemented will have a strong vendor data base and monitoring of active and ongoing DBE contract payments.

In addition, with regard to public reporting of performance indicators in the Vital Signs Report, management has developed metrics such as the *DBE Participation Rate* (total dollar value committed to DBEs divided by total dollar value of contracts awarded) and *DBE Actual Performance Rate* (based on all race conscious, closed contracts, the DBE award commitment and actual DBE dollars paid).

Other metrics for internal use and tracking in department business plans include *DBE Utilization Rates* (percentage of DBEs utilized in the WMATA/District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT) directory and Proportion of DBE dollars paid).