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Subject: NTI Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Workshops

Program Area: Civil Rights Training

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The National Transit Institute (NTI) will be sponsoring “**Disadvantaged Business Enterprise**” (DBE) workshops in Omaha, Nebraska on February 1-3, 2011 and Phoenix, Arizona on March 14-16, 2011. Tuition shall be waived for federal, state and local government employees who work in transportation or related areas. There is a \$450 fee for contractors and consultants.

Every transit agency receiving funding from Federal Transit Administration (FTA) must comply with United States Department of Transportation’s (US DOT) DBE regulations. Transit grantees and others involved in the application and the administration of the DBE requirements should have a complete understanding of these requirements and engage in the best practices with regard to encouraging participation by DBE’s.

This training is designed to assist DBE transit agency staff and FTA regional staff with developing and implementing policies and procedures consistent with US DOT’s revised DBE regulations, 49 CFR Part 26, and DOT guidance. This course will provide a basic understanding and working knowledge of the US DOT DBE regulations and DOT guidance. Attendees will be provided with the tools necessary to design and implement a DBE program in their organizations or agencies.

Topics:

- Federal requirements regarding DBE’s
- Setting annual DBE goals
- Accounting for and reporting DBE participation
- Certification of DBE’s
- Agency specific DBE requirements
- FTA’s role in the DBE process
- Disputes and appeals under the DBE requirements

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING: This class is oriented towards FTA grantees and focuses on transit related DBE issues. Non-transit grant recipients and non-transit modal operators may not receive the specific technical assistance related to Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) DBE issues.

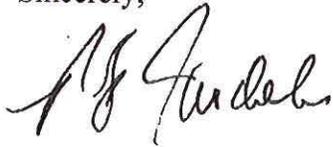
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FHWA and FAA both provide DBE training opportunities. To learn more about FHWA and FAA DBE trainings opportunities, please contact FHWA or FAA's DBE program managers <http://osdbu.dot.gov/DBEProgram/GuidanceforDBEProgramAdministrators/HowToContactDOT.cfm>.

You can register for this class online at the NTI's website at <http://www.ntionline.com/CourseInfo.asp?CourseNumber=ID016> or by faxing in the registration form found on the website to 732-932-1707.

For further information, please contact FTA Region 10's Monica McCallum at 206-220-4462 or by email at monica.mccallum@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R.F. Krochalis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and "K".

R.F. Krochalis
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