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Cornell Companies, Inc. Supplier Diversity Statement of Executive Commitment


Cornell Companies is committed to the economic development of small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, women-owned small businesses, historically underutilized business zone (HUBZone) small businesses, veteran-owned small businesses, service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses, and minority enterprise businesses (hereafter referred to as small businesses). It is our policy to actively engage in efforts that increase supplier inclusion with businesses that have the capability to meet or exceed our requirements for products and services. We believe our customers receive greater value as we increase diversity among our supplier base.

Through our company-wide Supplier Diversity Program, we develop mutually beneficial relationships with under-represented small businesses, facilitating the sustained growth of those firms who are an integral part of the communities in which we do business.

These entrepreneurs broaden market competition, spur innovation and creative approaches to problem solving, and enhance our capability to manage our business through all economic cycles. Overall, these entrepreneurs create a thriving, diversity-rich business climate.

Therefore, as an essential element to success, employees should seek to provide avenues of support for small businesses.

Specific questions regarding our Supplier Diversity Program should be directed to the Cornell Companies Supplier Diversity Manager, Greg Satoro.


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