#### **STATUS REPORT**

# LOUISIANA INITIATIVE FOR VETERAN AND SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL ENTREPRENEURSHIPS (THE VETERAN INITIATIVE)

2009-2010 FISCAL YEAR (April 2010 – June 30, 2010)

Presented to

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#### 2009 - 2010 FISCAL YEAR STATUS

Implementation of the program began October 12, 2009 under emergency rule issued by DOA and LED; certification of businesses by LED began November 3, 2009. During the period of April 2010 through June 30, 2010, the reported state expenditures on contracts with certified Veteran Initiative Small Entrepreneurships were approximately \$1,105,692.00. At the end of the June 30, 2010 fiscal year reporting period there were eighty-four (84) certified Veteran Initiative businesses (60 VSE and 24 DVSE). The DOA and state agencies in concert with LED are continuing our efforts to inform businesses about the program and to encourage their certification. The DOA is also encouraging state agencies to maximize their efforts in contracting with certified small entrepreneurships.

#### TABLE 1

#### **BREAKDOWN OF FISCAL YEAR '10 EXPENDITURES**

The chart below illustrates the expenditures on contracts with certified Veteran Initiative Small Entrepreneurships according to the three available procurement accounting systems used by the executive branch. These expenditures are further broken down on Attachments A.

VETERAN INITIATIVE SUMMARY EXPENDITURES Period Ending June 30, 2010		
AGPS & CFMS (Office of Contractual Review and Facility Planning) Agencies	\$299,717.73	
NON-AGPS Agencies (Universities, Colleges & LSUHSC HOSPITALS)	432,422.69	
Department of Transportation and Development	373,552.44	
TOTAL	\$1,105,692.86	

## ADDITIONAL INITIATIVE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY STATUTE

A. La. R.S. 39:2177(C) requires the Commissioner of Administration to provide periodic training for relevant state employees to acquaint them with the requirements of the initiative and administrative law related thereto.

On behalf of the commissioner, the Office of State Purchasing will conducted a Hudson/Veteran Initiative seminar in conjunction with the LaNIGP (Louisiana National Institute of Governmental Purchasing) 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Conference and Products Exposition which will be held on November 3-5, 2010.

B. La. R.S. 39:2177(D) requires the Commissioner of Administration to conduct a training program at least semiannually to acquaint small entrepreneurships with state procurement and public contract proposal and bidding practices.

On behalf of the commissioner, the Office of State Purchasing conducted outreach activities to acquaint small entrepreneurships with state contracting and procurement and to encourage certification as small entrepreneurships and to encourage small entrepreneurships to enroll in the state's electronic vendor notification system, LaPAC. Examples of these activities are:

• 03/23/10 SBA "Connecting Businesses to Contracts" Conference, hosted by Southern University; Baton Rouge

• 04/06/10 Northwest Louisiana Government Procurement Center (PTAC) and the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Hudson/Veteran Initiative Seminar; Shreveport, LA

#### **ATTACHMENT "A"**

### EXPENDITURES WITH CERTIFIED VETERAN INITIATIVE BUSINESSES AGPS/CFMS AGENCIES

period of April 2009 thru June 30, 2010

AGENCY NAME	VETERAN- OWNED TOTALS (VSE)	VETERAN SERVICE CONNECTED DISABLED (DVSE) TOTALS
DCRT - Office of State Parks	700.00	
Department of Economic Development	52,892.00	
Dept of Education	51,407.42	
Dept of Health & Hospitals	52,662.58	
Dept of Military Affairs	442.00	
Dept of Natural Resources		425.00
Dept of Public Safety & Corrections	1,055.00	
Dept of Public Safety State Police	2,237.50	
Dept of Social Services	2,272.00	6,197.50
Division of Administration	5,490.00	
Division of Administration Office of Facility Planning	20,649.83	
Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs	3,026.00	
LA Board of Cosmetology	10,946.25	
LA Commision on Law Enforcement	29,071.75	
LA Workforce Development	70,210.65	
Office of the Governor	9,350.75	
ISIS/AGPS AGENCIES TOTALS	312,413.73	6,622.50

# ATTACHMENT "B" EXPENDITURES WITH CERTIFIED VETERAN INITIATIVE BUSINESSES NON-AGPS AGENCIES

period of April 2010 thru June 30, 2010

AGENCY NAME	VETERAN- OWNED (VSE) TOTALS	VETERAN SERVICE CONNECTED DISABLED (DVSE) TOTALS
LA Dept of Transportation & Development (DOTD)	140,141.72	
Colleges & Universities		
Louisiana State University	5,450.00	
LSU Eunice		4,154.00
Louisiana Tech University	161,599.50	
Nicholls State University	6,239.25	
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	2,662.50	
University of New Orleans	172.00	
LSU Health Sciences Center - NOLA		16,642.50
Huey P Long Medical Center		105,705.38
Washington St. Tammany Medical dba LSU Bogalusa	1,090.00	
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Leonard J Chabert Medical Center		6,849.63
E A Conway Medical Center	17928.49	46,829.00
Earl K. Long Medical Center	21,353.25	21,353.25
Community & Technical Colleges		
Baton Rouge Community College	700.00	
Louisiana Technical College	18,504.00	
Northwest LA Technical College	5,594.00	
NON-ISIS AGENCIES TOTALS	381,434.71	212,482.95