**Section 1500.4570 Contracting with Businesses Owned and Controlled by Minorities, Females and Persons with Disabilities**

a) Introduction

The Business Enterprise Act for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities [30 ILCS 575] (Act) sets a goal (minimum 12%) for contracting with businesses owned or controlled by minorities, females, or persons with disabilities.

b) Upon direction of the CPO, the OG may establish set-asides and other such preferences for vendors certified under that Act.

c) Certification

Certification procedures are set forth in rules governing the Business Enterprise Act (44 Ill. Adm. Code 10).

d) The CPO may refer to the list of businesses that have been certified and maintained by CMS.