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May 15, 2018

The Honorable Greg Abbott, Governor, State of Texas
The Honorable Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor, State of Texas
The Honorable Joseph R. Straus, III, Speaker, Texas House of Representatives

Gentlemen:

We are pleased to submit the *Fiscal 2018 Semi-Annual Report for the Statewide Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program*.

The HUB program is a component of the Statewide Procurement Division of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Section 2161.121 of the Texas Government Code requires the HUB program to submit this report, which summarizes and analyzes expenditures made to certified HUBs by state agencies and institutions of higher education from September 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018.

During the first half of fiscal 2018, 14,842 firms were registered as Texas-certified HUBs with 3,541 of these firms receiving 11.93 percent, or \$1,221,140,628 of all statewide expenditures.

A comparison between the total HUB expenditures reflected in the fiscal 2017 and fiscal 2018 Semi-Annual tables on page three of the Executive Summary shows that the State's total expenditures with HUBs increased in five of the six categories.

The report includes state agency rankings, expenditure data and supplemental reports and letters from various state agencies documenting their continued efforts to educate HUBs about procurement opportunities.

A copy of the report is available on line at <https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub/reporting.php>. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Laura Cagle-Hinojosa, Manager of the Statewide HUB Program, directly at 512-463-4583 or via email to Laura.Cagle-Hinojosa@cpa.texas.gov.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jette B. Withers", is written over a large, stylized blue scribble.

Jette B. Withers
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