#### **DEOD SUMMARY**

# QUALITY MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT (QMC)/CONTRACT NO. PS54007

#### A. Small Business Participation

Enterris Associates, Inc. (formerly PQM, Inc.) made a 32% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) commitment on this task order-based contract. However, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has issued an Interim Final Rule (IFR) that makes changes to the DBE Program, including suspension of goals and enforcement, effective October 3, 2025. Metro is currently reviewing the Interim Final Rule (IFR) to identify necessary program and procedural changes to ensure full compliance.

Although the DBE commitment is not a factor in the staff recommendation, there are three certified small businesses participating in this contract. This is noteworthy since small businesses are vital for the economy as they drive job creation, foster innovation, and strengthen local communities.

## B. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this modification.

# C. Prevailing Wage Applicability

Prevailing wage is not applicable to this modification.

## D. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.

#### E. Manufacturing Careers Policy

The Manufacturing Careers Policy (MCP) does **not apply** to this contract. The MCP is required on Metro's Rolling Stock RFPs, with an Independent Cost Estimate of at least \$50 million.