**MINNESOTA STATE**

**VETERAN-OWNED PREFERENCE FORM**

Unless a greater preference is applicable and allowed by law, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §16C.16, subd. 6a, Minnesota State has elected to award a 6% preference on state procurement to certified small businesses that are majority owned and operated by veterans.

Veteran-Owned Preference Requirements - *See* Minn. Stat. § 16C.19(d):

1) The business has been certified by the Office of Equity in Procurement as being a veteran-owned or service-disabled veteran-owned small business.

or

2) The principal place of business is in Minnesota AND the United States Department of Veterans Affairs verifies the business as being a veteran-owned or service-disabled veteran-owned small business under Public Law 109-461 and Code of Federal Regulations, title 38, part 74 (Supported By Documentation).

**ARE YOU A CERTIFIED, VETERAN OWNED OR DISABLED VETERAN OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PER EITHER REQUIREMENT ABOVE?** Yes  No

[INSERT COMPANY NAME]

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Statutory requirements and appropriate documentation must be met **by the solicitation response due date and time** to be awarded the veteran-owned preference.

**Claim the Preference**

**By signing below I confirm that:**

My company is claiming the veteran-owned preference afforded by Minn. Stat. § 16C.16, subd. 6a. By making this claim, I verify that:

* The business has been certified by the Office of Equity in Procurement as being a veteran-owned or service-disabled veteran-owned small business.

**or**

* My company’s principal place of business is in Minnesota **and** the United States Department of Veteran’s Affairs verifies my company as being a veteran-owned or service-disabled veteran-owned small business (Supported By Attached Documentation)

[INSERT NAME OF COMPANY] [INSERT DATE]

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [INSERT TELEPHONE NUMBER]

[PRINTED NAME] [INSERT TITLE]

**Attach documentation, sign, and return this form with your solicitation response to claim the veteran-owned preference.**

Information regarding certification by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs may be found at: https://www.va.gov/osdbu/