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**BEXAR METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT JOINS THE  
SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL CERTIFICATION AGENCY**

The Bexar Metropolitan Water District (the "District") has joined the South Central Texas Regional Certification Agency (the "SCTRCA"). The District is one of many partner entities, which include the Alamo Colleges, AT&T Center, Bexar County, Brooks Development Authority, the City of San Antonio, Edwards Aquifer Authority, Port Authority of San Antonio, San Antonio Housing Authority, San Antonio River Authority, San Antonio Water System, University Health System and VIA Metropolitan Transit.

The District's Board of Directors (the "Board") approved the Interlocal Agreement at their September 28, 2009 meeting.

The SCTRCA is a non-profit corporation that represents several public entities in the South Texas area. These entities are committed to enhancing participation for disadvantaged, small, minority and woman owned businesses in public/government contracting and purchasing activities.

Previously, on December 19, 2007, the Board established written targeted goals to be used as a standard in evaluating an applicant's good faith efforts used in utilized SMWBE. "Joining the SCRTCA is a tool the Purchasing Department will utilize in identifying SWMBE's" states the District's Purchasing Manager, Dan Garza, who will sit on the SCTRCA Board of Directors.

The District has committed to continue improving its bidding process and evaluating an applicant's good faith efforts utilizing and awarding a share of the contracts, subcontracts and procurement to MBE and WBE.

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