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**Approval of Community Rehabilitation Programs  
to Participate in the Purchasing from People with Disabilities Program  
Discussion Paper**

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**Background**

Texas Human Resources Code §122.013 requires the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to establish rules for the certification of Community Rehabilitation Programs (CRPs) to participate in the Purchasing from People with Disabilities (PPD) program. TWC Chapter 806 Purchases of Products and Services from People with Disabilities rule §806.41 establishes requirements for participation in the program and subsequent adherence to those requirements once a CRP has been certified. A CRP must reapply every three years before the expiration date listed on its certification to continue participating in the program. PPD staff reviews each completed application and all required documentation and, once the materials are deemed acceptable, staff presents the application to TWC's three-member Commission for approval.

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**Issue**

PPD program staff has reviewed the applications of six CRPs seeking to continue participation in the program through recertification. All CRPs seeking recertification currently pay minimum wage or higher.

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**Recertifications**

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**1. Enterprise Professional Services, Inc. (Austin)**

- Services: Grounds maintenance, custodial services
- Products: N/A
- Cumulative number of employees on PPD contracts in Fiscal Year 2023 (FY'23): 57
- Wages and benefits: Averaging \$18.08 per hour
- Certification date: December 2011
- Cumulative competitive integrated employment positions for FY prior to application: 2
- The CRP is current on state unemployment insurance taxes.

**2. Expanco, Inc. (Fort Worth)**

- Services: Secure document destruction, product assembly
- Products: Booster cables, medical supplies, first aid kits
- Cumulative number of employees on PPD contracts in FY'23: 11
- Wages and benefits: Averaging \$7.35 per hour
- Certification date: September 2003
- Cumulative competitive integrated employment positions for FY prior to application: 0
- The CRP is current on state unemployment insurance taxes.

**3. Goodwill Services, Inc. (El Paso)**

- Services: Custodial services, temporary services
- Products: NA
- Cumulative number of employees on PPD contracts in FY'23: 97
- Wages and benefits: Averaging \$9.95 per hour

- 1 • Certification date: March 2009
- 2 • Cumulative competitive integrated employment positions for FY prior to application: 7
- 3 • The CRP is current on state unemployment insurance taxes.

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5 **4. Relief Enterprise of Texas, Inc. (Austin)**

- 6 • Services: Janitorial services, grounds maintenance, debris removal
- 7 • Products: N/A
- 8 • Cumulative number of employees on PPD contracts in FY'23: 192
- 9 • Wages and benefits: Averaging \$14.68 per hour
- 10 • Certification date: December 2006
- 11 • Cumulative competitive integrated employment positions for FY prior to application: 0
- 12 • The CRP is current on state unemployment insurance taxes.

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14 **5. Southeast Keller Corporation (Houston)**

- 15 • Services: Janitorial services
- 16 • Products: N/A
- 17 • Cumulative number of employees on PPD contracts in FY'23: 19
- 18 • Wages and benefits: Averaging \$15.31 per hour
- 19 • Certification date: December 2008
- 20 • Cumulative competitive integrated employment positions for FY prior to application: 0
- 21 • The CRP is current on state unemployment insurance taxes.

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23 **6. RGR Industries, Inc. (Weslaco)**

- 24 • Services: Mowing, landscaping, litter pickup
- 25 • Products: N/A
- 26 • Cumulative number of employees on PPD contracts in FY'23: 19
- 27 • Wages and benefits: Averaging \$12.24 per hour
- 28 • Certification date: December 2017
- 29 • Cumulative competitive integrated employment positions for FY prior to application: 0
- 30 • The CRP is current on state unemployment insurance taxes.

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32 **Recommendation**

33 Staff recommends recertifying six CRPs for participation in the PPD program.

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