



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE AUDIT BUREAU REPORT SUMMARY

PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL STADIUM DISTRICT

As required by s. 229.8273(6), Wis. Stats., we have completed our first review of the Green Bay/Brown County Professional Football Stadium District's efforts to meet contracting and hiring goals for minorities and women in the Lambeau Field reconstruction project. Statutes require the District to establish goals for contracts awarded to minority-owned and women-owned businesses. In addition, statutes require the contractors hired for the project to establish goals for the employment of minorities and women. To meet these objectives and facilitate the involvement of targeted businesses and individuals in the reconstruction project, the District required the creation of the Targeted Business Participation and Workforce Diversity Program. The Legislative Audit Bureau is required to review these efforts on an annual basis.

Based upon our initial review, we believe that to date, the District has made a good-faith effort to meet its statutory goals. Through December 2001, measurable progress had been made toward:

- awarding 15 percent of the value of contracts that are financed by bond proceeds to minority-owned businesses, and 5 percent to women-owned businesses; and
- working to hire minorities and women related to the construction project so that 15 percent of the new employees hired specifically for the project are minority group members and 5 percent are women.

Through December 2001, a total of \$9.1 million in professional and construction contract dollars has been paid to targeted businesses. Of this amount, 13.4 percent was paid to minority-owned businesses and 3.4 percent was paid to women-owned businesses. These percentages are somewhat lower than the statutorily established goals of 15.0 percent and 5.0 percent, respectively. Of the 610 new hires working on the project, 114 (18.7 percent) were minority group members, and 29 (4.8 percent) were women. This currently exceeds the statutory hiring goal for minorities and is slightly lower than the hiring goal for women.

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