

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICE**



August 31, 2011

Dear Director Weems:

The Chief Procurement Office is providing to you the Fiscal Year 2011 report of Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) and Veteran Owned Business (VOSB) pursuant to Public Act 97-260 (30 ILCS 500/45-57(b)). The Act calls for a goal that not less than 3% of the total dollar amount of State contracts to be awarded to SDVOSBs and VOSBs.

Agencies and universities have not been previously required to identify nor have they identified vendors that meet the qualifications of SDVOSB and VOSB. Thus, we are unable to determine for Fiscal Year 2011 the total number and value of contracts with SDVOSBs and VOSBs or the total number of SDVOSB and VOSB that submitted bids for contracts under the Illinois Procurement Code.

The Chief Procurement Office is fully committed to fostering economic opportunities for Illinois' military veterans and looks forward to the Department of Central Management Services promulgating administrative rules to implement compliance with the Veterans' preference. If we can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

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CPO for General Services

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CPO for Institutions of Higher Education

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