### DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

#### Title VI COMPLIANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

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DSHS Policy Statement

The DSHS is committed to ensuring that no person in the State of Delaware shall on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low income, or Limited English Proficiency (LEP) be excluded from participation in, denied benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any and all programs, services, or activities administered by the department, it’s recipients, sub-recipients, and contractors. DSHS, as a recipient of federal financial assistance, will ensure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights of 1964; 49CFR Part 21, 49 CFR Part 303 and related nondiscrimination authorities.

The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 clarified Title VI to specify that entire institutions receiving Federal Funds must comply with Federal civil rights authorities, rather than just the particular programs or activities that receive the funds.

Nondiscrimination programs require that Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients, and contractors prevent discrimination and ensure nondiscrimination in all of their programs and activities, whether those programs are federally-funded or not.

The Title VI Coordinator will be responsible for implementing the Title VI Program. Additionally, Division Directors and all responsible personnel are directed to assist the Title VI Coordinator in the effective implementation of the Title VI Program.

The Secretary of Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security has signed the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Title VI Program Assurance and will ensure that sub-recipients, contractors, successors, transferees and/or assignees sign an assurance document.

Nathaniel McQueen, Jr., Secretary

Date

Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security
The United States Department of Transportation

Standard Title VI/Non-Discrimination Assurances

DOT Order No. 1050.2A

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security (herein referred to as the “Recipient”), HEREBY AGREES THAT, as a condition to receiving any Federal financial assistance from the United States Department of Transportation (DOT), through the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), is subject to and will comply with the following:

Statutory/Regulatory Authorities

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 Stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, (20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability);
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability);
- 49 C.F.R. part 21 (entitled Nondiscrimination In Federally-Assisted Programs Of The Department Of Transportation—Effectuation Of Title VI Of The Civil Rights Act Of 1964);
- 49 C.F.R. part 27 (entitled Nondiscrimination On The Basis Of Disability In Programs Or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance);
- 49 C.F.R. part 28 (entitled Enforcement Of Nondiscrimination On The Basis Of Handicap In Programs Or Activities Conducted By The Department Of Transportation);
- 49 C.F.R. part 37 (entitled Transportation Services For Individuals With Disabilities (ADA)));
- 49 C.F.R. part 303 (FMCSA’s Title VI/Nondiscrimination Regulation);
- 28 C.F.R. part 35 (entitled Discrimination On The Basis Of Disability In State And Local Government Services);
- 28 C.F.R. section 50.3 (U.S. Department of Justice Guidelines for Enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);

The preceding statutory and regulatory cites hereinafter are referred to as the “Acts” and “Regulations,” respectively.

Although not applicable to Recipients directly, there are certain Executive Orders and relevant guidance that direct action by Federal agencies regarding their federally assisted programs and activities to which compliance is required by Recipients to ensure Federal agencies carry out their responsibilities. Executive Order 12898 (1995), entitled “Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations” emphasizes that Federal agencies should use existing laws to achieve Environmental Justice, in particular Title VI,
to ensure nondiscrimination against minority populations. Recipients should be aware that certain Title VI matters raise Environmental Justice concerns and FMCSA intends that all Recipients evaluate and revise existing procedures (as appropriate) to address and implement Environmental Justice considerations. See the following FHWA website for more information and facts about Environmental Justice: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/environmental_justice/index.cfm

Additionally, Executive Order 13166 (2001) on Limited English Proficiency, according to the U.S. Department of Justice in its Policy Guidance Document dated August 16, 2000 (65 Fed. Reg. at 50123), clarifies the responsibilities associated with the “application of Title VI’s prohibition on national origin discrimination when information is provided only in English to persons with limited English proficiency.” When receiving Federal funds Recipients are expected to conduct a Four-Factor Analysis to prevent discrimination based on National Origin. (See also U.S. DOT’s “Policy Guidance Concerning Recipients’ Responsibilities to Limited English Proficient (LEP) Persons,” dated December 14, 2005, (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100); the Guidance is a useful resource when performing a Four-Factor Analysis).

**General Assurances**

In accordance with the Acts, the Regulations, and other pertinent directives, circulars, policy, memoranda, and/or guidance, the Recipient hereby gives assurance that it will promptly take any measures necessary to ensure that:

“No person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, low-income, or LEP be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance from DOT, including the FMCSA.”

The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 clarified the original intent of Congress, with respect to Title VI and other Non-discrimination requirements (The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973) by restoring the broad, institutional-wide scope and coverage of these non-discrimination statutes and requirements to include all programs and activities of the Recipient, so long as any portion of the program is Federally-assisted.

**Specific Assurances**

More specifically, and without limiting the above general Assurances, the Recipient agrees with and gives the following Assurances with respect to its Federally assisted **FMCSA Program**:

1. The Recipient agrees that each “activity,” “facility,” or “program,” as defined in 49 C.F.R. §§ 21.23 (b) and 21.23 (e) will be (with regard to an “activity”) facilitated, or will be (with regard to a “facility”) operated, or will be (with regard to a “program”) conducted in compliance with all requirements imposed by, or pursuant to the Acts and the Regulations;

2. The Recipient will insert the following notification in all solicitations for bids, Requests For Proposals for work, or material subject to the Acts and the Regulations made in connection with the FMCSA Program and, in adapted form, in all proposals for negotiated agreements regardless of funding source:

“The **Department of Safety and Homeland Security**, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any
Contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, all contractors will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of the owner's race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP in consideration for an award."

3. The Recipient will insert the clauses of Appendix A and E of this Assurance in every contract or agreement subject to the Acts and the Regulations;

4. The Recipient will insert the clauses of Appendix B of this Assurance, as a covenant running with the land, in any deed from the United States effecting or recording a transfer of real property, structures, use, or improvements thereon or interest therein to a Recipient;

5. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance to construct a facility, or part of a facility, the Assurance will extend to the entire facility and facilities operated in connection therewith;

6. That where the Recipient receives Federal financial assistance in the form, or for the acquisition of real property or an interest in real property, the Assurance will extend to rights to space on, over, or under such property;

7. That the Recipient will include the clauses set forth in Appendix C and Appendix D of this Assurance, as a covenant running with the land, in any future deeds, leases, licenses, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the Recipient with other parties:
   a. for the subsequent transfer of real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program; and
   b. for the construction or use of, or access to, space on, over, or under real property acquired or improved under the applicable activity, project, or program.

8. That this Assurance obligates the Recipient for the period during which Federal financial assistance is extended to the program, except where the Federal financial assistance is to provide, or is in the form of, personal property, or real property, or interest therein, or structures or improvements thereon, in which case the Assurance obligates the Recipient, or any transferee for the longer of the following periods:
   a. the period during which the property is used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended, or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits; or
   b. the period during which the Recipient retains ownership or possession of the property.

9. The Recipient will provide for such methods of administration for the program as are found by the Secretary of Transportation or the official to whom he/she delegates specific authority to give reasonable guarantee that it, other recipients, sub-recipients, sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, transferees, successors in interest, and other participants of Federal financial assistance under such program will comply with all requirements imposed or pursuant to the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.

10. The Recipient agrees that the United States has a right to seek judicial enforcement with regard to any matter arising under the Acts, the Regulations, and this Assurance.
By signing this ASSURANCE, The Department of Safety and Homeland Security also agrees to comply (and require any sub-recipient, sub-grantees, contractors, successors, transferees, and/or assignees to comply) with all applicable provisions governing the FMCSA access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff. You also recognize that you must comply with any program or compliance reviews, and/or complaint investigations conducted by the FMCSA. You must keep records, reports, and submit the material for review upon request to FMCSA, or its designee in a timely, complete, and accurate way. Additionally, you must comply with all other reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance.

The Department of Safety and Homeland Security gives this ASSURANCE in consideration of and for obtaining any Federal grants, loans, contracts, agreements, property, and/or discounts, or other Federal-aid and Federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the recipients by the Department of Transportation under the FMCSA Program. This ASSURANCE is binding on Delaware, other recipients, sub-recipient, sub-grantees, contractors, subcontractors and their subcontractor's, transferees, successors in interest, and any other participants in the FMCSA Program. The person(s) signing below is authorized to sign this ASSURANCE on behalf of the Recipient.

Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security

by

Nathaniel McQueen, Jr., Secretary

Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security

DATED 20 July 2020
APPENDIX A

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** The contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.

2. **Nondiscrimination:** The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations as set forth in Appendix E, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 C.F.R. part 21.

3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the contractor of the contractor’s obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP.

4. **Information and Reports:** The contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the FMCSA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the contractor will so certify to the Recipient or the FMCSA, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a contractor’s noncompliance with the Non-discrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient will impose such contract sanctions as it or the FMCSA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

   a. withholding payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
   b. cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.

6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or the FMCSA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
CLAVES FOR DEEDS TRANSFERING UNITED STATES PROPERTY

APPENDIX B

The following clauses will be included in deeds effecting or recording the transfer of real property, structures, or improvements thereon, or granting interest therein from the United States pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 4:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Department of Transportation as authorized by law and upon the condition that the (Title of Recipient) will accept title to the lands and maintain the project constructed thereon in accordance with (Name of Appropriate Legislative Authority), the Regulations for the Administration of Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Program, and the policies and procedures prescribed by the FMCSA of the Department of Transportation in accordance and in compliance with all requirements imposed by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation pertaining to and effectuating the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. § 2000d to 2000d-4), does hereby remise, release, quitclaim and convey unto the (Title of Recipient) all the right, title and interest of the Department of Transportation in and to said lands described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(HABENDUM CLAUSE)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said lands and interests therein unto (Title of Recipient) and its successors forever, subject, however, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservations herein contained as follows, which will remain in effect for the period during which the real property or structures are used for a purpose for which Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits and will be binding on the (Title of Recipient), its successors and assigns.

The (Title of Recipient), in consideration of the conveyance of said lands and interests in lands, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land for itself, its successors and assigns, that (1) no person will on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to any facility located wholly or in part on, over, or under such lands hereby conveyed [], [and]* (2) that the (Title of Recipient) will use the lands and interests in lands and interests in lands so conveyed, in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said Regulations and Acts may be amended, and (3) that in the event of breach of any of the above-mentioned non-discrimination conditions, the Department will have a right to enter or re-enter said lands and facilities on said land, and that above described land and facilities will thereon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the Department of Transportation and its assigns as such interest existed prior to this instruction.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to effectuate the purpose of Title VI.)
CLAUSES FOR TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED OR IMPROVED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY OR PROGRAM

APPENDIX C

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, leases, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the (Title of Recipient) pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(a):

A. The (grantee, lessee, permittee, etc. as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree [in the case of deeds and leases add “as a covenant running with the land”] that:

1. In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this (deed, license, lease, permit, etc.) for a purpose for which a Department of Transportation activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Acts and Regulations (as may be amended) such that no person on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.

B. With respect to licenses, leases, permits, etc., in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, (Title of Recipient) will have the right to terminate the (lease, license, permit, etc.) and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if the (lease, license, permit, etc.) had never been made or issued.*

C. With respect to a deed, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, the (Title of Recipient) will have the right to enter or re-enter the lands and facilities thereon, and the above described lands and facilities will thereupon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the (Title of Recipient) and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to effectuate the purpose of Title VI.)
CLAUSES FOR CONSTRUCTION/USE/ACCESS TO REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY OR PROGRAM

APPENDIX D

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, permits, or similar instruments/agreements entered into by *(Title of Recipient)* pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(b):

A. The (grantee, licensee, permittee, etc., as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree (in the case of deeds and leases add, "as a covenant running with the land") that (1) no person on the ground of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishing of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, income-level, or LEP will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Acts and Regulations, as amended, set forth in this Assurance.

B. With respect to (licenses, leases, permits, etc.), in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, *(Title of Recipient)* will have the right to terminate the (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) and to enter or re-enter and repossess said land and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if said (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) had never been made or issued.*

C. With respect to deeds, in the event of breach of any of the above Non-discrimination covenants, *(Title of Recipient)* will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of *(Title of Recipient)* and its assigns.*

(*Reverter clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary to effectuate the purpose of Title VI.*)
APPENDIX E

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “contractor”) agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin), as implemented by 49 C.F.R. § 21.1 et seq. and 49 C.F.R. part 303;
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601) (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 C.F.R. part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (Pub. L. 97-248 (1982)), as amended (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (102 Stat. 28) (“...which restore[d] the broad scope of coverage and to clarify the application of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.”);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 -- 12189), as implemented by Department of Justice regulations at 28 C.F.R. parts 35 and 36, and Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration’s Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures non-discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq).
STATE OF DELAWARE

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

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Description of Federal Aid Programs

Programs and Activities. The Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security receives various grants to perform specific functions as specified in the grant guidelines. These grants generally provide funds for equipment, supplies, employee overtime, and highway safety enforcement. All sub-recipients will sign a certification and assurance document that details their Title VI responsibilities complying with all Federal statutes and implementing regulations relating to nondiscrimination. The Department delivers the mandated and optional services through the following divisions:

Divisions

Office of the Secretary serves as the primary point of contact for the general public on matters affecting the Department and its responsibility to the community. It also serves as the central point for coordination of Department fiscal activity.

The Office of the Secretary promotes public safety by coordinating and advocating for related policy and resources as well as serving as a liaison with the Governor's Office, other state and non-state agencies and the community at large.

Delaware Division of Gaming Enforcement (DGE) enforces state laws regarding casino gaming in Delaware's casinos and conducts suitability for licensing investigations of gaming venues, vendors and employees as required by the Delaware Code.

The Division of Gaming Enforcement is committed to ensuring the integrity of Delaware's gaming industry.

Delaware E911 has as its mission to protect and enhance public safety and health by facilitating the operation and maintenance of efficient state-of-the-art Enhanced 911 services in the State of Delaware.
Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement (DATE) is a law enforcement agency that enforces state laws concerning alcoholic beverages and youth access to tobacco products. Their mission is to protect the health, safety and welfare of people in Delaware through the enforcement of state liquor and youth access to tobacco statutes, while maintaining the highest state of preparedness in response to threats against homeland security.

Capitol Police respond to over 10,000 calls for assistance each year at state public facilities, including courts and office buildings.

Their mission is to improve the quality of life throughout the State of Delaware by striving to provide a secure environment on state owned/controlled property, through the delivery of police services in an efficient and professional manner.

Division of Communications supports emergency responders by maintaining over 7,000 communication items.

The Division of Communications promotes public safety through the installation, removal, repair, modification and alignment of the state's communications systems and electronic equipment, in-shop and at remote locations throughout the State. As resources permit, the division extends its maintenance services to support fire, rescue, ambulance companies, county and municipal agencies.

Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) responds to and provides assistance during natural and man-made disasters.

The Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) is responsible for the administration of state-wide planning, training, mitigation and the coordination of effective emergency response to natural and technological emergencies which may threaten Delaware's citizens and economic base. In carrying out its mission, DEMA fosters intergovernmental coordination at the local, state, and federal levels.
**Delaware State Police (DSP)** is a full-service police agency that monitors over 4,600 miles of roadway in Delaware and responds to approximately 128,000 calls for service annually.

The Delaware State Police exists to enhance the quality of life for all Delaware citizens and visitors by providing professional, competent and compassionate law enforcement services.*

**Office of Highway Safety (OHS)** serves the citizens of Delaware by providing funding for over 100 highway safety-related education and enforcement programs.

The Office of Highway Safety (OHS) is committed to developing and implementing a comprehensive strategy aimed at saving lives and preventing injuries on our highways.

**Developmental Disabilities Council** works to ensure that people with developmental disabilities enjoy the same quality of life as the rest of society.

**State Council for Persons with Disabilities** has as its mission to unite, in one Council, disability advocates and State agency policy makers to ensure that individuals with disabilities are empowered to become fully integrated within the community.

**The Division of Forensic Science (DFS)**, formerly known as the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, provides several services including death investigations, forensic pathology, and controlled substance testing. It is the mission of DFS to provide the most reliable scientific analysis of evidence for the administration of justice.

*The Applicant is applying for funding through the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration’s Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) Basic and Incentive Grant. The state’s grant application will include a written Commercial Vehicle Safety Plan (CVSP) in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR 350.201. The grant funding will be utilized to finance the Delaware State Police MCSAP Program and its mission to provide a safe environment on the state’s roadways for all persons through the reduction of the number and severity of collisions involving commercial motor vehicles. The focus of the program is the enforcement of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSR) and Delaware State Law applicable to the safe operation of commercial motor vehicles on the state’s roadways.*
Authority for enforcement of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations pertaining to commercial motor vehicles is found under the Delaware Code, Title 21, Chapter 47. Inspections of commercial motor vehicles are performed according to the procedures and standards set forth by the North American Standard Inspection protocol developed by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance.

The MCSAP policy is to enforce uniform motor carrier safety and hazardous materials regulations for both interstate and intrastate motor carriers and drivers on public roadways. Documents pertaining to the commercial vehicle, cargo, and drivers, are examined to assure compliance with state and federal regulations. The objective is to reduce the number and severity of collisions and hazardous materials incidents involving commercial motor vehicles by maintaining an identified level of traffic enforcement activity, outreach and educational activities, and the detection and correction of safety defects, driver deficiencies and unsafe company practices.
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Notification to Beneficiaries/Participants

Dissemination of Information

Divisions have posted on their website, a link directing the public to the DSHS website where they can access the FMCSA Title VI Compliance and Implementation Program for 2020 and other related Nondiscrimination Authorities.

A Title VI Poster are displayed at all DSHS facilities. A copy can be found on pages 18 and 19.
Your Rights Under Title VI

Of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

and other related Nondiscrimination Authorities

Title VI is a section of the Civil Rights act of 1964 requiring that “No person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, color, or national origin be excluded from, participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance”. In addition under FMCSA Title VI, the following groups are included: sex, age, handicap/disability, income level and Limited English Proficiency (LEP).

Any person who feels that he or she, individually or as a member of any class of persons, on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap/disability including income level and LEP has been excluded from or denied benefits of, or subjected to discrimination caused by the Department of Safety and Homeland Security (DSHS) may file a written complaint.

For additional information, contact the:

- Title VI Coordinator, DSHS, 303 Transportation Circle, PO Box 818, Dover, De 19903, Telephone 302-744-2705
  And/or

- Regional Office for Civil Rights (address will be provided by the Title VI Coordinator)

Federal and State law requires complaints be filed within 180 days of the alleged incident.

Title VI is the Law
Sus derechos bajo el Título VI

De la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964

y Otras Autoridades de no Discriminación Relacionados

Título VI es una sección de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964 requiere que "Ninguna persona en los Estados Unidos será por motivos de raza, color u origen nacional ser excluido de la participación en, ser negado los beneficios de, o ser sujeto a discriminación en cualquier programa o actividad que reciba asistencia financiera federal ". Además, en virtud del título VI de la FMCSA, se incluyen los siguientes grupos: sexo, edad, incapacidad / discapacidad, nivel de ingresos y Limitado del Inglés (LEP).

Cualquier persona que sienta que él o ella, de forma individual o como miembro de cualquier clase de personas, sobre la base de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad o discapacidad / incapacidad incluyendo el nivel de ingresos y la PES ha sido excluido de o denegado beneficios de, o sujeto a discriminación causada por el Departamento de Seguridad y Seguridad Nacional (DHS) pueden presentar una queja por escrito.

Para obtener información adicional, póngase en contacto con la:

- Coordinador del Título VI, DSHS, 303 Transporte Circle, PO Box 181, Dover, DE 19903,
  Teléfono 302- 744 -2705

  Y / o

- Oficina Regional para los Derechos Civiles (dirección será proporcionada por el Coordinador del Título VI)

La ley Federal y estatal requiere que las quejas sean presentadas dentro de los 180 días del supuesto incidente.

Título VI es la Ley
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DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

Title VI COMPLIANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

Contents of Notification

1. In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related Nondiscrimination authorities, the Department of Safety and Home Security, ensures that no person shall, on the grounds, of race, color, national origin, sex or disability, age, income-level, and LEP, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

2. Members of the public who believe they have been subjected to discrimination by DSHS or by one of the DSHS’s sub-recipients based on their race, color, national origin, sex or disability, age, income level, and LEP may file a complaint. Complaints must be filed in writing (preferably using form DSHS VI-1), signed and delivered to the Title VI Coordinator. Procedures for the public to request additional information and procedures to be followed by members of the public to file a discrimination complaint including the name of a contact Representative, address and telephone/email address are included in the Complaint Disposition Process. The necessary forms are also included.

Access to Records

The Grantee is required to maintain all records relating to the effective implementation of the Title VI Program available for FMCSA review either at a specified time for a complaint investigation, compliance review, or any other reason.
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Sub-Recipient Compliance Reports

DSHS will be sub-awarding funds to DelDOT for operations and maintenance of FMCSA funded ITD systems as part of the 2020 MCSAP Grant Program. Delaware DSHS requires its Recipients of FMCSA funds (FMCSA Sub-Recipients) to sign and submit the FMCSA Title VI Program Assurance and submit a supplemental Title VI Program document to include the applicable sections of the FMCSA Title VI Program Compliance Plan Checklist to Delaware DSHS with the grant application.

The FMCSA Applicant Title VI Program Compliance Plan Checklist under “Sub-Recipient Compliance Reports” states “the Applicant is responsible for monitoring how the entity (i.e., Sub-Recipient of Federal funding) is effectively implementing Title VI Program requirements.

Accordingly, the Delaware State Police (DSP) will obtain and maintain the supporting documents for the addition of DelDOT as a Sub-Recipient. The DSP will periodically review the documentation to determine the Sub-Recipient’s compliance regarding the effective implementation of the Title VI Program.
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Training

The Delaware Learning Center has an established Title VI Program Training module “FMCSA Basic Title VI Program Training”. This course provides an overview of the FMCSA Basic Title VI Program and is available online to all DSHS employees. DSHS offers this course online as part of the new employee orientation and every other year for all existing employees.

Training Details

**FMCSA BASIC TITLE VI PROGRAM TRAINING**

Online Class Department of Safety and Homeland Security 30 minutes $0.00

Launch

This online course presentation gives an overview of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Basic Title VI Program. There are seven sections to complete which includes Program Authorities, Program Regulations, Grants Management Manual, Grant Requirements for Applicants, Elements of the Compliance Plan, Pre & Post-Award Compliance Reviews and the Summary. This course should take less than 30 minutes to complete.
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Complaint Disposition Process

An individual or group that believes they have been subjected to discrimination based on their race, color, sex, age, national origin, disability/handicap including income level and Limited English Proficiency (LEP), may file a complaint. Complaints must be filed within 180 days of the alleged discriminatory act and must be filed in writing and signed (preferably using DSHS V-1). All forms will be provided by the Title VI Coordinator.

Complaints must contain the name of the person or group filing the complaint, (the complainant), and must contain contact information such as telephone number and address.

Complaints may also be filed at the Regional Office for Civil Rights. The address will provided by the Title VI Coordinator.

Title VI Coordinator

The Title VI Coordinator is responsible for investigating and/or referring complaints as deemed necessary and assists in correcting Title VI problems or discriminatory practices.

The Title VI Coordinator is also responsible for maintaining all complaint records including the Title VI Complaint Log.

The Title VI Coordinator will be involved in all aspects of the complaint process including the ultimate disposition of the case, and notifying the Complainant of the final result.
Investigations

Within 10 working days of receipt of the formal complaint (Form DSHS-V1), the Title VI Coordinator will notify the complainant and begin an investigation.

He/she will conduct a fact finding investigation within 30 days from receipt of the complaint. The Title VI Coordinator will issue a Report of Investigation (Form DSHS VI-2)

The following steps will be taken (at a minimum):

- Determine the scope
- Develop an investigative plan
- Prepare Request for information for DSHS
- Conduct an onsite visit, as necessary
- Analyze the evidence
- Prepare the Report of Findings

The investigation may include discussion(s) of the complaint with all affected parties to determine the problem. The complainant may be represented by an attorney or other representative of his/her own choosing.

The complainant will be sent a letter stating that the final decision will be issued by the end of the 60 day time limit.

The investigation will be conducted and completed within 60 days of the receipt of the formal complaint.

Based upon all the information received, an investigation report will be written by the Title VI Coordinator for submittal to the Secretary’s Designee for Letter of Findings (LOF)

The complainant shall be notified of his/her right to withdraw (Form: DSHS VI 3) or appeal the decision (form: DSHS VI-4).
Appeal

DSHS is committed to a high quality resolution of every case. DSHS affords an opportunity to the complainant to submit an appeal of a letter finding insufficient evidence of a violation. The appeal process provides an opportunity for complainants to bring information to the attention of the Cabinet Secretary that would change the decision. The appeal process will not be a _de novo_ review of the decision (i.e., The Cabinet Secretary will not review the matter as if no previous decision had been rendered).

If the complainant disagrees with the findings in the Report of Investigation, he or she may send a written appeal to the Secretary of the Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security. In an appeal, the complainant must explain why he or she believes the factual information was incomplete, the analysis of the facts was incorrect, and/or the appropriate legal standard was not applied, _and_ how this would change the determination in the case. Failure to do so may result in the denial of the appeal.

In order to be timely, an appeal must be submitted within 60-days of receiving the Report of Investigation.

A written response to an appeal will be issued within 45-days of receipt of an appeal. This decision constitutes the agency’s final decision. Such a decision will inform the complainant that he or she "may have the right to file a private suit in federal court whether or not DSHS finds a violation."
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Complaint Under Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related
Nondiscrimination Authorities

To: Department of Safety and Homeland Security

I, ________________________________, hereby file an official complaint against

_____________________________________ located at: ____________________________

Complainants Name _________________________________________________________

Complainants Address _______________________________________________________

Basis of Complaint (Race, Color, National Origin, Sex, Age, Disability, Income Level, LEP)

_________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________

(Attach extra paper if necessary)

Date of alleged
discrimination _______________________________________

Signed: ____________________________________________

Date ___________________________________________________________________

To be completed by DSHS

Complaint received on _______________ Title VI Coordinator _______________________

Address ___________________________ Telephone __________ Email ________________

Form: DSHS VI-1
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

I, ______________________ representing, ______________________ (name) ___________

Have investigated the complaint filed on ____________ by ______________________

Alleging discrimination occurred which was in violation of the provisions of Title VI of the Civil
Rights Act of 1964.

The results of the investigation are as follows: (Circle the appropriate letter)

A. The agency was found to be in violation of Title VI.
B. The agency or person was not found to be in violation of Title VI.
C. The complainant withdrew the complaint using form DSHS VI-3.

A copy of the investigative report is attached.

NOTE: If the agency or person was found to be in violation of Title VI, briefly describe the
remedial action taken to assure future compliance.

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Investigator: __________________________

Date: __________________________

Form: DSHS VI-2
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WITHDRAWAL OF COMPLAINT

Date: ________________

To: Department of Safety and Homeland Security

I, ____________________________, hereby withdraw my complaint or appeal

Filed on ________________ against ______________________________ located at

______________________________

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Complainant’s Name: ____________________________

Complainant’s Address: ____________________________

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Reason for Withdrawal ________________

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(Attach extra paper if necessary)

Signed: ____________________________

Form: DSHS VI-3
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APPEAL FORM

I, ________________________, wish to appeal the finding made on ________________

By ______________________ of ( ) Non-Discrimination or ( ) The proposed remedial

Action by the agency in the Title VI complaint as filed by:

____________________________________ Date ____________________ against

____________________________________ at

____________________________________

____________________________________

Signed: ________________________________

Address: ________________________________

Date of Appeal: _________________________

Form: DSHS VI-4
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Status of Corrective Actions Implemented by Applicant to Address Deficiencies Previously Identified During a Title VI Program Compliance Review

DSHS has not been previously reviewed by FMCSA or any other Federal Agency.

There are no previous corrective actions to address.

Community Participation Process

This section is not applicable.

None of the divisions within DSHS provide or conduct motorist licensure/motor vehicle registration related services/activities that would apply to this section.