



**Department of Veterans Affairs Transportation Service Provider's (TSP)
 Certification of Eligibility to Receive Awards of Transportation Services Contracts
 and to Submit Rate Tenders and Rate Quotations for Transportation Services**

This is the Transportation Service Provider's (TSP) certification of eligibility for the award of transportation services contracts and the submission of rate tenders and rate quotations for freight transportation services.

a. By submitting rate tenders to VA, _____ certifies that:
 (TSP Company Name)

- (1) Neither the TSP, nor any of its subsidiaries, officers, directors, principal owner, or principal employees are currently suspended, debarred, or in receipt of a notice of proposed debarment as a result of a civil judgment or criminal conviction for any cause, or has been placed in temporary nonuse status by a tender accepting Federal agency for the routes covered by tenders as of the date of the most current rate tender offer or rate quotation.
- (2) The TSP is not a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship or any other business entity which has been formed or organized following the suspension or debarment of, a subsidiary, officer, director, principal owner, or principal employee thereof or from such an entity formed after receipt of a notice of proposed suspension or debarment.

b. The following definitions are applicable to this certification.

- (1) A subsidiary is a business entity whose management decisions are influenced by the TSP through legal or equitable ownership of a controlling interest in the firm's stock, assets, or otherwise.
- (2) A principal owner is an individual or company which owns a controlling interest in the TSP's stock, or an individual who can control, or substantially influence, the TSP's management through the ownership interest of family members or close associates.
- (3) A principal employee is a person(s) acting in a managerial or supervisory capacity (including consultants and business advisors) who is able to direct or substantially influence the TSP's performance of its obligations under its contracts for transportation with the Federal Government.

c. The knowledge of the person who executes this certification is not required to exceed the knowledge which that person can reasonably be expected to possess, following inquiry, regarding the suspended or debarred status of the parties defined in (b) above.

d. The TSP has a continuing obligation to inform the VA office from which a transportation service contract is awarded or a rate tender or rate quotation is submitted of any change in circumstances which results in its ineligibility to receive transportation services contracts or to submit rate tenders or rate quotations for freight transportation services.

e. Presenting an erroneous certification of eligibility or the failure to notify the tender accepting activity of a change in eligibility may result in a recommendation for administrative action against the TSP. Additionally, false statements to an agency of the Federal Government are subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001, as well as possible civil penalties.

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

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| NAME | | TITLE | TELEPHONE NUMBER <i>(Include Area Code, (999) 999-9999)</i> |
| ADDRESS <i>(Include City, State and Zip Code)</i> | | FEDERAL TAX ID | |
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| VA Transportation and Logistics Center Acceptance and Approval by: Henry Austin, Traffic Manager | | | DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) |