

- The DBE is not the lowest bidder. While, prime contractors may reject a DBE bid if it is excessively or unreasonably higher than non-DBE bids, a slightly higher bid should be accommodated to meet the goal.

Awarded Contracts

If the bid is considered responsive and the project is awarded to the prime contractor, the following additional steps are required to complete the GFE commitment.

1. **Form 2: Committed DBE Breakdown and Certification Form 734-2531.** **Must be the same or more than the value indicated on Form 1.*
 - . Name of DBEs to be awarded work.
 - . Detailed description of the bid items:
 - Bid item number
 - Description
 - Amounts
 - Dollar amounts to be subcontracted
4. Due: within 10 calendar days of award notification.

Rejected Bids

ODOT will notify a bidder within 15 days of bid opening if the submitted bid is non-responsive, including reasons for the determination. In the case a bid is determined non-responsive, the contractor has the right to the administrative reconsideration according to [CFR 26.53](#):

- Provide written documentation or argument to a review committee within 3 working days of the receipt of notification.
- The bidder may receive an in person meeting with the review committee to discuss the issue.
- The review committee will make a determination regarding the appeal within 3 working days of reviewing the provided evidence.
- The bidder will receive a decision within 4 working days.

The results to reconsideration cannot be appealed to USDOT.