## PURCHASING POLICY FOR SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

In addition to the Chariho Regional School District Purchasing Policy, the following steps will be taken when purchases are made for the School Lunch Program.

The District and/or the Food Service Provider will attempt to contact small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

Affirmative steps will include:

- 1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- 2. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- 3. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- 5. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
- 6. Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

Reference: §200.321 Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.

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