Attachment A-1(a) Exhibit 2-a
M/WBE CERTIFICATION OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS (CGFE)

Offeror/Contractor Name:	Primary Contact:
Address:	Telephone No:
City/State/Zip Code:	Contract No:

OMH requires completion of this form to be submitted by Bidders/Contractors submitting a bid, proposal or proposed negotiated contact, prior to contract award to document "good faith efforts" to provide meaningful participation by New York State certified M/WBE subcontractors or suppliers in the performance of State contracts. [check actions as applicable]:

☐ (a) The contractor attended any pre-bid meetings that were scheduled by the Agency or the NYS Department of Economic Development or its designee to inform minority and women-owned business enterprises of contracting and subcontracting opportunities available on the project;

☐ (b) The Contractor identified economically feasible units of the project that could be contracted or subcontracted to minority and women-owned business enterprises in order to increase the likelihood of participation by such enterprises;

☐ (c) The Contractor advertised in general circulation, trade association, and trade-oriented, minority and women-focused publications, if any, concerning the contracting or subcontracting opportunity;

☐ (d) The Contractor solicited and provided written notice to a reasonable number of minority and women-owned business enterprises identified from current certified lists of such business enterprises provided or maintained by the NYS Empire State Development's Division of Minority and Women-Owned Business Development, or its designee, of the contracting or subcontracting opportunity in sufficient time to allow the enterprises to participate effectively;

☐ (e) The Contractor followed up initial solicitations by contacting the enterprises to determine whether the enterprises were interested in such contracting or subcontracting opportunity;

☐ (f) The Contractor provided interested minority and women-owned business enterprises with adequate information about the plans, specifications and requirements for the contracting or subcontracting opportunity;

☐ (g) The Contractor used the services of community organizations, contractor groups, state and federal business assistance offices and other organizations identified by the NYS Department of Economic Development or its designee that provide assistance in the recruitment and placement of minority and women-owned business enterprises; and

☐ (h) The Contractor negotiated in good faith with minority and women-owned business enterprises submitting bids, proposals, or quotations and did not, without justifiable reason, reject as unsatisfactory any bids, proposals or quotations prepared by any minority or women-owned business. "Good Faith" negotiating means engaging in good faith discussions with minority or women-owned businesses about the nature of the work, scheduling, requirements for special equipment, opportunities for dividing of work among the bidders, proposers, and various subcontractors and the bids of the minority or women-owned businesses, including sharing with them any cost estimates from the request for proposal or invitation to bid documents, if available.

The undersigned herby certifies under penalty of perjury that the company on whose behalf s/he is submitting this Certification of Good Faith Efforts has taken or intends to take the specific good faith efforts described above and in any additional pages or documentation the undersigned has attached to this form.

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Signature **Date**

_____
Print Name

_____
Title

Sworn to before me this_____ day of _____20_____

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Notary Public

Seal:

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