Overview of MWBE Certification
Developments

1. Implementing state of the art electronic monitoring, reporting and compliance system
2. Increasing pool of certified MWBEs - agreements with NYC and Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
3. Fast Track Applications
4. Certification Open House
5. Application Criteria
6. Application Assistance
Modernizing the Process

- Implementing a State of the Art Electronic Monitoring and Reporting System
  - System makes MWBE certification process more user friendly
  - Monitor the status of your application
  - Simplify the re-certification process, and streamline the process to make updates to your MWBE profile.
  - Monitor how state agencies spend contracting dollars with MWBEs
Simplifying the Process

✓ Increasing Pool of Certified MWBE Firms
  - One Stop MWBE Application
    - Apply with Empire State Development
      - Complete Addendums for MWBE Certification:
        - New York City Small Business Services
        - Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

  - Fast Track Applications
    - DBE certified firms
    - New York State Based MWBE certified firms with:
      - NYC Small Business Services
      - Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
      - NYC School Construction Authority
      - NY & NJ Minority Supplier Development Council
      - Women President’s Educational Organization
Certification Overview

✓ Outline of MWBE Certification Criteria

- All firms must be at least 51% owned, operated and controlled by minority members and/or women.
- Each applicant firm must be an independent business
- $3.5 Million Personal Net Worth Cap for each minority or woman owner(s)
- 300 Employee Cap for each firm
- Out of State Firms must have “Authority to Do Business” in NYS from NYS Department of State
Certification Application Assistance

 ✓ Certification Open House
   ▪ First Certification Open House - 59 certified

 ✓ Application Assistance
   ▪ Entrepreneurial Assistance Program Centers:
     ▪ 24 Centers throughout the state
     ▪ www.esd.ny.gov/BusinessPrograms/EAP.html

   ▪ Small Business Development Centers:
     ▪ 24 Regional Centers throughout the state
     ▪ www.nyssbdc.org

   ▪ Procurement Technical Assistance Centers:
     ▪ 6 Centers located throughout the state
     ▪ www.aptac-us.org