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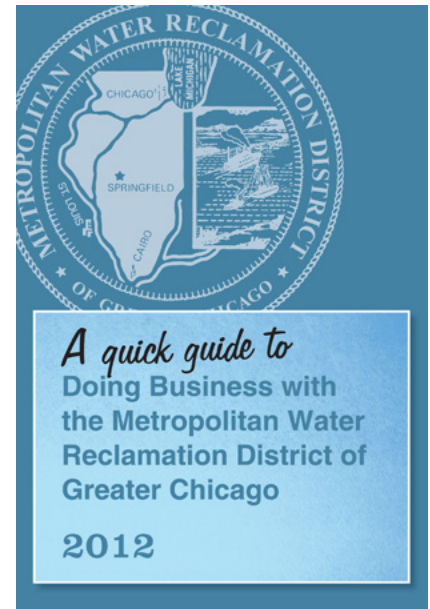
Small Businesses, Minority and Women Business Enterprises learn about contract opportunities during MWRD outreach event

Over 200 contractors and vendors participated in the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's (MWRD's) vendor outreach event this morning at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, Gleacher Center in Chicago.

The event theme, "Transparency + Diversity = A Business Opportunity," was a common thread through all of the remarks. "Vendors can expect a fair process that affords all qualified business owners a chance to secure a contract and grow their businesses, and the first step to doing business with the MWRD is to register as a potential vendor," said Thomas Savage, Affirmative Action Program Administrator.

MWRD Vice President Barbara J. McGowan, Chairman of the Affirmative Action Committee, gave welcoming remarks and said that "the Board of Commissioners continue to be strong advocates for the participation of Minority Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, and Small Business Enterprises in our construction program."

In addition to vendor application packets, the MWRD's new booklet, "A Quick Guide to Doing Business with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago" was distributed to program participants. The booklet can also be found at www.mwr.org.



MWRD Vice President Barbara J. McGowan met with vendors and contractors during the MWRD's vendor outreach event held at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business Gleacher Center. Over 200 contractors and vendors participated in the event which focused on fair procurement policies and practices.

The MWRD has produced a guide for vendors and contractors and it is now available at mwr.org.

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