

CERTIFICATION PROCESS OVERVIEW



SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE



WHAT IS THE PRIMARY FUNCTION OF THE SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE?

The Supplier Clearinghouse:

- Commissioned by the CPUC
- Operates under General Order 156
- Verifies, certifies, and maintains a database of Minority, Women, LGBT, and Persons with Disabilities Business Enterprises to do business with the participating Joint Utility companies
- Shares procurement opportunities when asked by a utility





WHO ARE THE PARTICIPATING JOINT UTILITIES?





WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF CERTIFICATION WITH THE SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE?



- Utility companies with gross annual revenues in excess of \$15,000,000 are required to participate in this program.
- These companies have developed and implemented procedures to increase the utilization of MBE, WBE, LGBTBE, DVBE, and PDBE in their procurement activities.
- Must be certified through the Clearinghouse to participate in the CPUC Diversity program.
- The Joint Utility companies spend hundreds of millions of dollars with MBE/WBE/LGBTBE/DVBE/PDBE certified suppliers.
- There is no charge to become certified.



WHAT ARE THE PROCUREMENT GOALS?

Goals established by the CPUC:

- 15% goal for Minority Business Enterprises
- 5% goal for Women Business Enterprises
- 1.5% goal for Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises
- 1.5% goal for LGBT Business Enterprises
- No goals have been set for PDBE firms





WHO CAN BE CERTIFIED THROUGH THE SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE?

The Supplier Clearinghouse Certifies:

- Women Business Enterprise (WBE)
- Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)
- LGBT Business Enterprise (LGBTBE)
- Persons with Disabilities Business Enterprise (PDBE)

Additional Programs Include:

- Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE)
- SBA 8(a)





HOW CAN MY COMPANY BECOME CERTIFIED BY THE SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE?



Must apply using one of the following applications:

- Standard Verification Application
- Fast-Track Process Application
- Re-Verification Application
- Comparable Agency Verification Application
 - Women's Business Enterprise National Council – WBENC
 - National Minority Supplier Development Council – NMSDC
 - National LGBT Chamber of Commerce – NGLCC
 - Disability:IN
 - 8(a) Application



WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED IN THE APPLICATION?

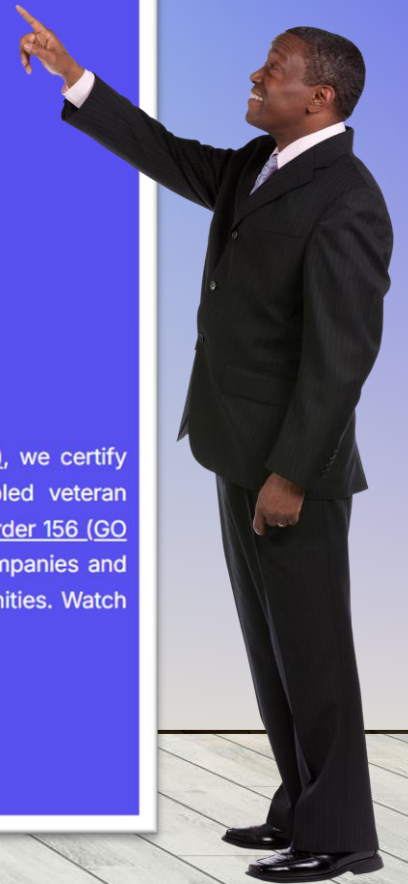
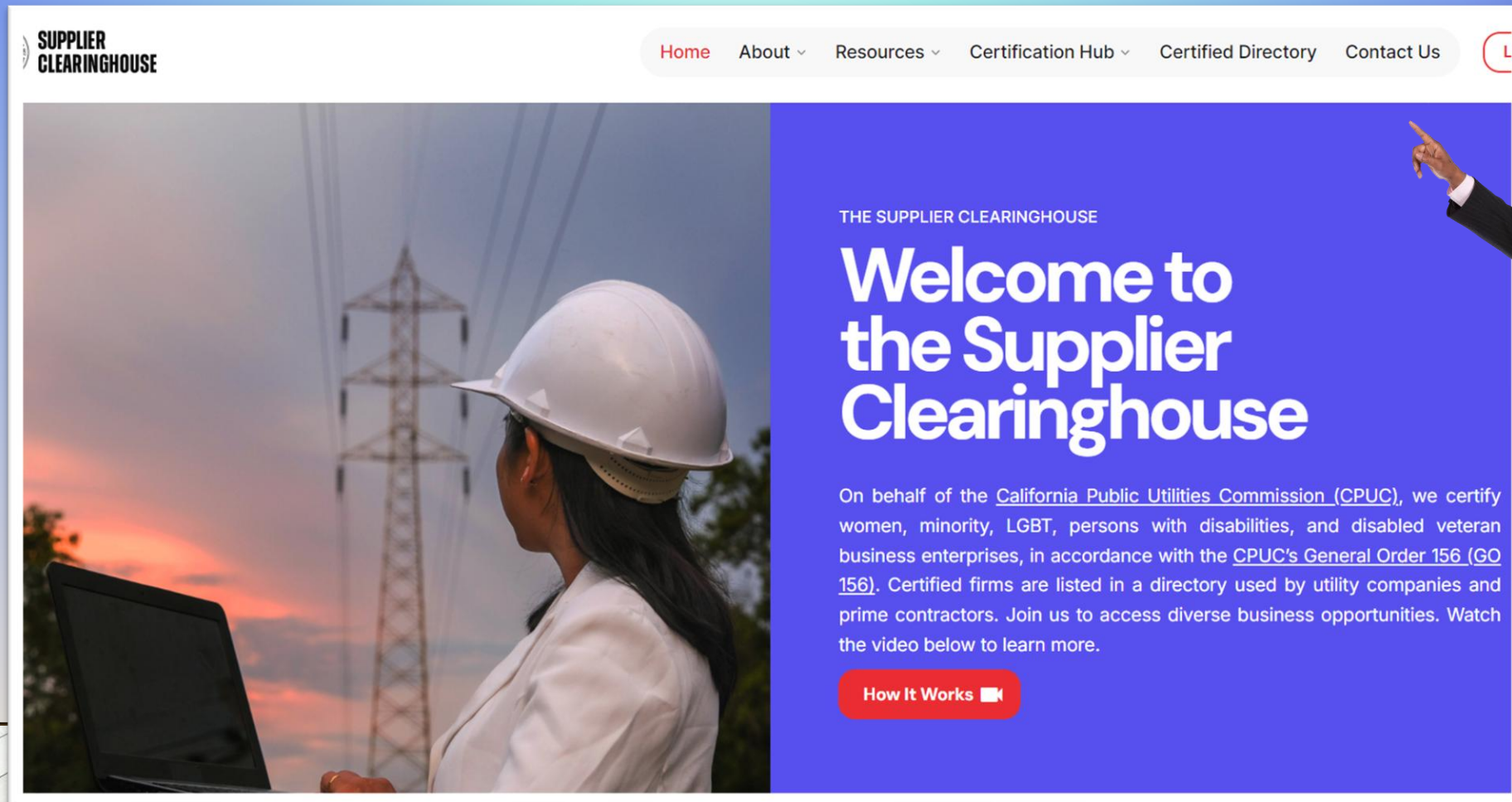
Important Documents:

- Proof of ethnicity, gender, LGBT status, or disability status
- Most recent Federal tax returns
- Evidence of Capital Contribution
- Bank Signature Information
- Resumes
- All LLC or Corporate Documents
- WBENC, NMSDC, NGLCC, Disability:IN, SBA 8(a) (CAV applications)





WHAT DOES THE ONLINE APPLICATION SYSTEM LOOK LIKE?



READY TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE SUPPLIER CLEARINGHOUSE? IT'S TIME TO GET CERTIFIED!

Whether you are starting a new application or returning to complete an existing application, we are open for business.



Starting a New Application or Completing an Annual Review?

If you are starting an application, you should click the button below. You will be given a new application to complete.

Start Application

Continue Working on an Application

Click the 'Complete a Started Application' button below. You will need the Application ID that was sent to you by E-mail.

Complete a Started Application





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