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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Maine Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that the Maine Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a virtual monthly meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 12 p.m. (ET) to discuss next steps.

DATES: Thursday, November 9, 2023; at 12 p.m. (ET)

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held via Zoom.

Zoom Link (Audio/Visual): <https://tinyurl.com/5yr4dsfy>; password: USCCR-ME.

Join by Phone (Audio Only): 1-833-435-1820 USA toll-free; Meeting ID: 161 655 9331#.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mallory Trachtenberg, Designated Federal Official at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov or via phone at 202-809-9618.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This committee meeting is available to the public through the registration link above. Any interested member of the public may listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. Per the Federal Advisory Committee Act, public minutes of the meeting will include a list of persons who are present at the meeting. If joining via phone, callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any

incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Closed captioning will be available for individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or who have certain cognitive or learning impairments. To request additional accommodations, please email ebohor@usccr.gov at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Mallory Trachtenberg at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at 1-312-353-8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Coordination Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meetings will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Maine Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission's website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at ebohor@usccr.gov.

Agenda

- I. Welcome & Roll Call
- II. Discuss Next Steps
- III. Public Comment
- IV. Next Steps
- V. Adjournment

Dated: October 11, 2023.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

National Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Census Bureau, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public virtual meeting.

SUMMARY: The Census Bureau is giving notice of a virtual meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic and Other Populations (NAC).

The Committee will address policy, research, and technical issues relating to a full range of Census Bureau programs and activities, including the decennial census, demographic and economic statistical programs, field operations, and information technology. Last minute changes to the schedule are possible, which could prevent giving advance public notice of schedule adjustments.

DATES: The virtual meeting will be held on:

- Thursday, November 16, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET, and
- Friday, November 17, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: Please visit the Census Advisory Committee website at <https://www.census.gov/about/cac/nac/meetings/2023-11-meeting.html>, for the NAC meeting information, including the agenda, and how to view the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shana Banks, Advisory Committee Branch Chief, Office of Program, Performance and Stakeholder Integration (PPSI), shana.j.banks@census.gov, Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, telephone 301-763-3815. For TTY callers, please use the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NAC provides technical expertise to address Census Bureau program needs and objectives. The members of the NAC are appointed by the Director of the Census Bureau. The NAC has been established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (title 5, United States Code, appendix 2, section 10).

All meetings are open to the public. Public comments will be accepted in written form via email to shana.j.banks@census.gov, (subject line "2023 NAC Fall Virtual Meeting Public Comment"). A brief period will be set aside during the virtual meeting to read public comments received by noon ET, November 16, 2023. All public comments received will be posted to the website listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

Robert L. Santos, Director, Census Bureau, approved the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: October 6, 2023.

Shannon Wink,

*Program Analyst, Policy Coordination Office,
U.S. Census Bureau.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Minority Business Development Agency

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Extension of Deadline for Applications to the Minority Business Enterprises Advisory Council for the Minority Business Development Agency

AGENCY: Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of extension of deadline.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce, Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) is extending the deadline for nominations for the Minority Business Enterprises Advisory Council (MBEAC) pursuant to the authority of the Minority Business Development Act of 2021 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended. The Council will advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Minority Business Development on various topics impacting socially and economically disadvantaged businesses. MBDA is looking to appoint nine (9) members for the initial term of the Council. These individuals shall be from the private sector with a balanced and broad range of interests regarding the social and economic life of minority business concerns. The private sector members may include individuals from academia and think tanks, companies, chambers of commerce, financial entities, labor and trade associations, non-profit organizations, and stakeholders involved in socially and economically disadvantaged business concerns.

DATES: MBDA originally posted a solicitation for applications to the MBEAC on August 18, 2023, with an original deadline of September 18, 2023. MBDA has determined that an extension of the original deadline is warranted. MBDA will consider applications received by November 15, 2023, for potential selection to the inaugural MBEAC. Applications received after this date may be considered by MBDA as appropriate and when vacancies become available. If you have already submitted

an application, MBDA will consider your application and there is no need to re-apply.

ADDRESSES: Individuals who are interested in being considered for the MBEAC must submit a resume and cover letter detailing their relevant experience to advisorycouncil@mbda.gov. If electronic submission is not feasible, submissions may be mailed to: Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), U.S. Department of Commerce, Attn: Cara M. Morris, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Room 5075, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cara M. Morris, Director, Business Center Excellence & Program Support, Minority Business Development Agency, U.S. Department of Commerce, Email: cmorris1@mbda.gov, 202-482-2332.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Please note that this notice is to extend the initial deadline for applications to the MBEAC. The original notice was published on August 18, 2023, and stated that the original deadline to receive applications was September 18, 2023. MBDA has determined that an extension to this deadline is warranted. Accordingly, MBDA will consider all applications received by [DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER], for potential selection to the inaugural MBEAC. Applications received after this date may be considered by MBDA as appropriate and when vacancies become available. If you have already submitted an application, MBDA will consider your application and there is no need to re-apply.

On November 15, 2021, the Minority Business Development Act of 2021 (Pub. L. 117-58), made permanent the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) and expanded MBDA's roles and authorities. Among other things, the Act mandated the creation of the Minority Business Enterprises Advisory Council (MBEAC or "the Council").

The objective of the MBEAC is to provide group advice to the Under Secretary of Commerce for Minority Business Development on matters pertaining to the growth and global competitiveness of the nation's 9.7 million minority business enterprises (MBEs), such as identifying barriers to entrepreneurship and business growth; providing insight related to the economic conditions of socially or economically disadvantaged businesses; proposing opportunities for collaboration on and coordination of policies relating to entrepreneurship

and business growth for socially and economically disadvantaged businesses; and advising on measures to better achieve MBDA's objectives. The MBEAC was established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Chapter 10. See the MBEAC Charter, available at: <https://gsa-geo.my.salesforce.com/sfc/p/#t0000000Gyj0/a/t0000003Gceu/9JxK.9.iqBesjToAwbbYyuYpJviXxxZC3ELQmn5Mts4>. The MBDA is a dynamic organization that needs industry leaders' input with a wide range of experience and insight. Accordingly, the MBDA is soliciting applications from private sector representatives with a balanced and broad range of interests regarding the social and economic life of Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) to serve as advisory committee members of the MBEAC. Individuals may self-nominate or be nominated by someone else.

The Council will consist of nine members from the private sector as well as at least ten members from federal agencies that support or otherwise have duties related to business formation, including duties relating to labor development, monetary policy, national security, energy, agriculture, transportation, and housing. The Council will meet 2-3 times per year and members shall serve for a term of 2 years. Members can be reappointed after the 2-year term expires.

MBDA is soliciting two types of private sector members. "Representative members" are appointed to offer insight and perspectives of clearly identified sectors and stakeholder groups. "Special Government Employee (SGE) members" are appointed for their individual expertise and experience. Special Government Employees are subject to conflict-of-interest laws and regulations, including (but not limited to) the obligation to annually file a New Entrant Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 450) and complete ethics training. Representative members are not subject to these requirements. Private sector members will be individually advised of the capacity in which they will serve through their appointment letters.

Please also note that members of the Council shall not be compensated for service on the Council but may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in accordance with subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code.