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DBE Businesses Invited to Attend Community Meeting

The Wayne County Airport Authority is hosting a community meeting to discuss the Airport Authority's Disparity Study now underway. The Study will analyze the use of minority, woman-owned and disadvantaged business enterprises on contracts with the Wayne County Airport Authority.

The Airport Authority is sponsoring the community meeting to inform the local business community about the Disparity Study:

• Date: Thursday, August 10th

• Time: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

• Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel – Detroit Metro Airport

8000 Merriman Road, Romulus, MI

An overview of the Disparity Study process will be presented by the Study consultant. In addition, the Airport Authority's division managers will discuss upcoming contracting opportunities. All businesses are encouraged to attend.

The Study is being conducted by Mason Tillman Associates, a minority, womanowned consulting firm based in Oakland, California for more than 27 years. The firm has conducted 94 disparity studies since 1990 for various counties, cities, special districts and states, and is a nationally recognized authority on disparity studies and public policy research.

Businesses can obtain further information by contacting Lori Ballard, Business Diversity Manager for the Airport Authority at (734) 247-7011 or Lynn Reddrick of Mason Tillman Associates at (510) 835-9012.

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