Third Party Certifications

Vectren recognizes and accept the following third party certifications:

- National and/or Regional Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC): MBE Certification
- Women Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC): WBE Certification
- U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs: Veteran and Service Disabled Veteran: VBE or SDVBE Verification
- State and municipality diverse business certifications: e.g., Indiana Department of Administrative (IDOA), certification of minority, women, and veteran business enterprises.

Diverse Business Classifications

- Minor Business Enterprise (MBE)
  
  A for-profit enterprise presently located in the U.S. or its trust territories that is at least 51 percent owned and operated by a U.S. citizen(s) who is a member of one of the following groups:
  
  - African American: Black racial groups of Africa
  - Hispanic American: Spanish or Portuguese speaking areas of Latin American or the following regions: Mexico, Central America, South America and the Caribbean basin
  - Native American: American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut and Native Hawaiian
  - Asian Pacific: Japan, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Taiwan, Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, the Philippines, Thailand, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific or the Northern Marianas
  - Asian Indian: India, Pakistan and Bangladesh

- Woman Business Enterprise (WBE)
  
  A for-profit enterprise presently located in the U.S. or its trust territories that is at least 51 percent owned, controlled, and operated by a woman or women of U.S. citizenship. Individual(s) must be involved in the day-to-day management of the business.

- Veteran-Owned Business (VBE)
  
  A for-profit enterprise presently located in the U.S. or its trust territories that is at least 51 percent owned by an individual(s) who has/have performed active service in one of the U.S. armed services. Individual(s) must be involved in the day-to-day management of the business.

- Service Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (SDVBE)
  
  A for-profit enterprise presently located in the U.S. or its trust territories that is at least 51 percent owned by an individual(s) who has/have performed active service in one of the U.S. armed services and has/have a service-connected disability. Individual(s) must be involved in the day-to-day management of the business.

- Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)
  
  A for-profit enterprise presently located in the U.S. or its trust territories that is at least 51 percent owned, controlled, operated and managed by a socially and economically disadvantaged individual(s) who must have a net worth of less than $750,000, excluding the equity of the business and primary residence and must meet applicable size standards for small businesses in their industry.

- HUB Zone Small Business Concern (HUB Zone)
  
  A small business, located in a HUB Zone (Historically Underutilized Business Zone), owned and controlled by one or more U.S. citizens, with at least 35 percent of its employees residing in a HUB Zone.

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