



# Minority Business Enterprise Advisory Council Meeting

**Federal and Private Sector Members**

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**Eric J. Morrissette, Deputy Under Secretary**

**Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

**9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

**At the U.S. Department of Commerce,  
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##### **Part 1: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

- I. **Meeting Protocol** – Joann J. Hill, DFO & Director, Office of CX
  - a) No AI Notetaking Permitted
  - b) Acknowledgements
  - c) FACA Reporting Requirements re: Meeting Minutes for General Body and Subcommittees
- II. **Welcome Remarks** – Eric J. Morrissette, Performing Delegated Duties of Under Secretary for Minority Business Development
- III. **Introduction of MBDA Deputy Under Secretary Madiha Latif**
- IV. **Greetings** – Harry E. Johnson, Chairman, MBE Advisory Council
- V. **Roll Call**
  - a) Introduction of Council Members & Surrogates

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. - BREAK

- I. **Establishment of MBEAC Bylaws**
- II. **VOTE on Recommendations presented by Subcommittees - Presentation Recap by Chairmen**
  - a) **Access to Contracts Subcommittee**, Ron Busby, Chair; President & CEO, U.S. Black Chambers of Commerce
  - b) **Data Repository Subcommittee**, Melanie Welsh,



##### **Part 2: 11:15 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

- I. **“Two Ideas” Subcommittee (continued)**
  - a) **Access to Capital Subcommittee**, Harry E. Johnson, Chair & Chair of the MBE Advisory Council; President & CEO, The MLK Memorial Foundation
  - b) **Access to Global Markets Subcommittee**, Ying McGuire, President & CEO, NMSDC
- II. **Partnerships & MOUs Update** (J. Hill)
  - a) The Orthodox Jewish Chamber of Commerce, U.S. Department of Defense, and MoveAmerica, Inc.
- III. **MBDA Research, Data, & Evaluation Agenda** (E. Gonzalez)
  - a) Information Clearing House
  - b) RFI
  - c) Fintech Report
  - d) Supply Chain Report
  - e) Capital Formation Forum Update
- IV. **Presentation of Certificates to MBEAC Members**

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

- a) Public Forum

12:30 p.m. – 12:35 p.m.

- I. Recap and Next Steps (Next Meeting)
- II. Adjourn

# Thank You

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