

Information Item:
**Office of Equal Opportunity -
Environmental Services DBE
Program Update**

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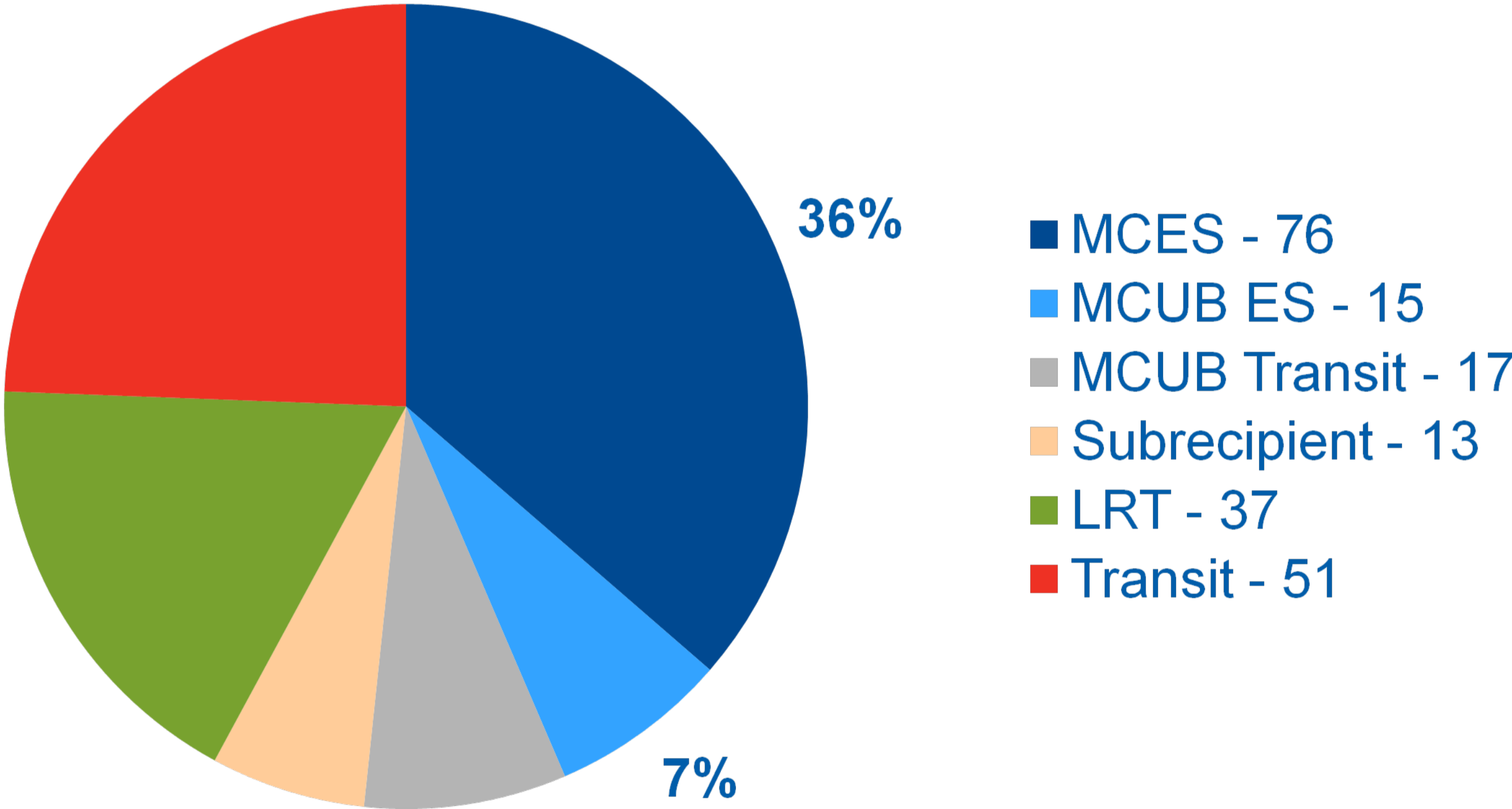


Environmental Services DBE Program

- The Office of Equal Opportunity operates small business inclusion programs for the MCES division
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) – Federally funded through Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) via Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA)
- Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) - Contracts with non-federal funds

2014 DBE and MCUB Contracts

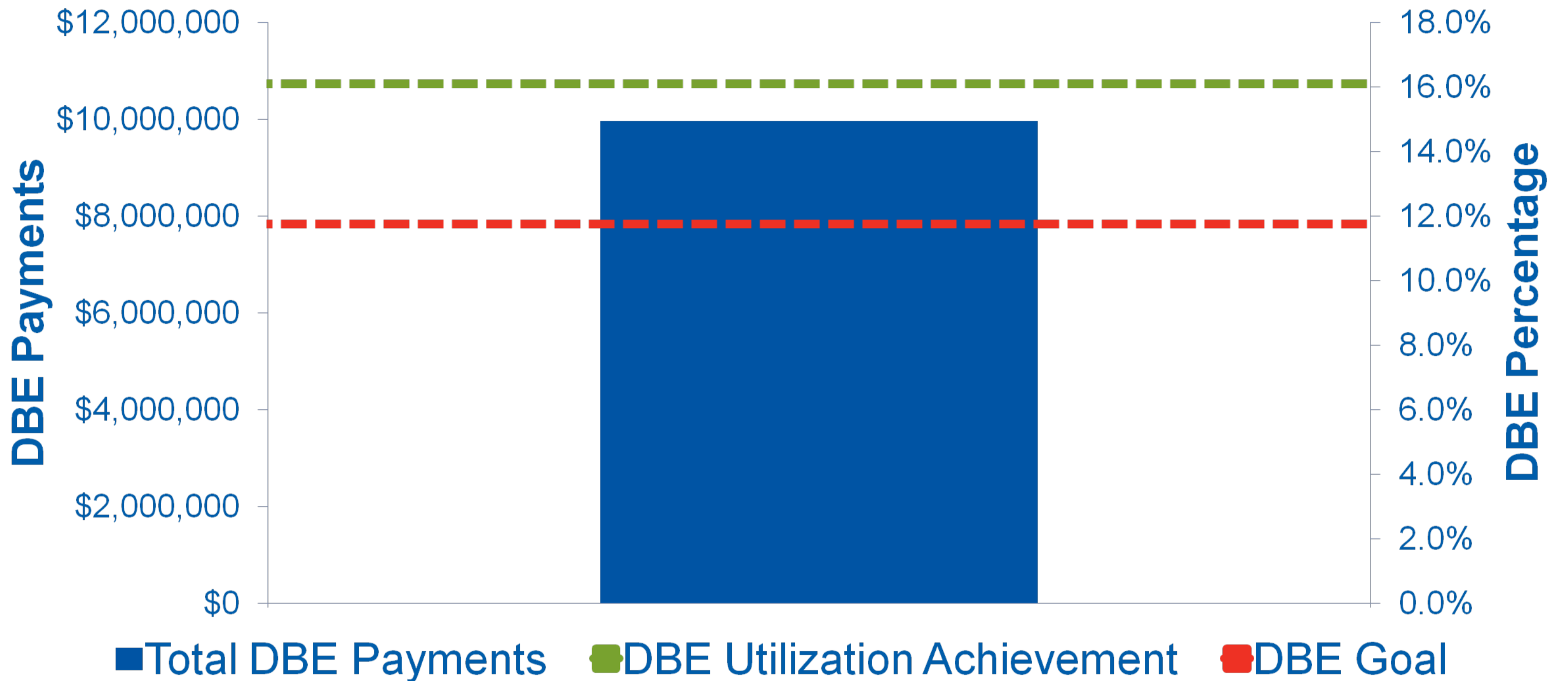
Active contracts 209 – 91 MCES Contracts



Measuring DBE Programs

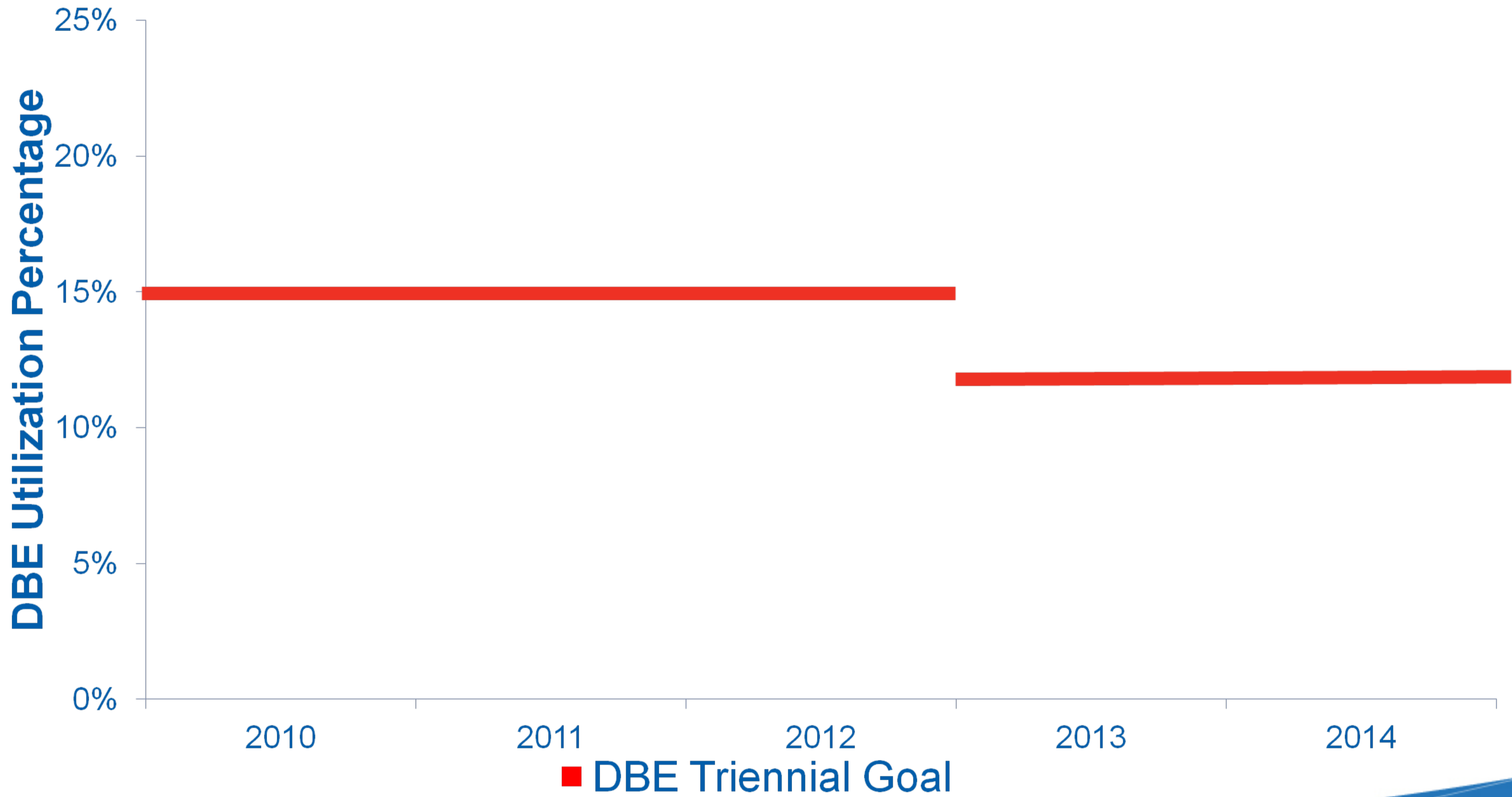
- Multiple equity steps for eligible projects. Objective to ensure inclusion of DBE and MCUB firms on subcontracts
- Setting Goals
 - Triennial goal 2013-2015 12%
 - DBE program requires separate MBE and WBE goals (6% & 6%)
 - Goals are “narrowly tailored” based on “relative availability”
- Utilization of DBEs as a %
 - Total monies paid to DBEs as a percentage of total contract value
- Dollars Paid to DBEs
 - Total value of monies paid to DBE firms

ES DBE Program in 2014

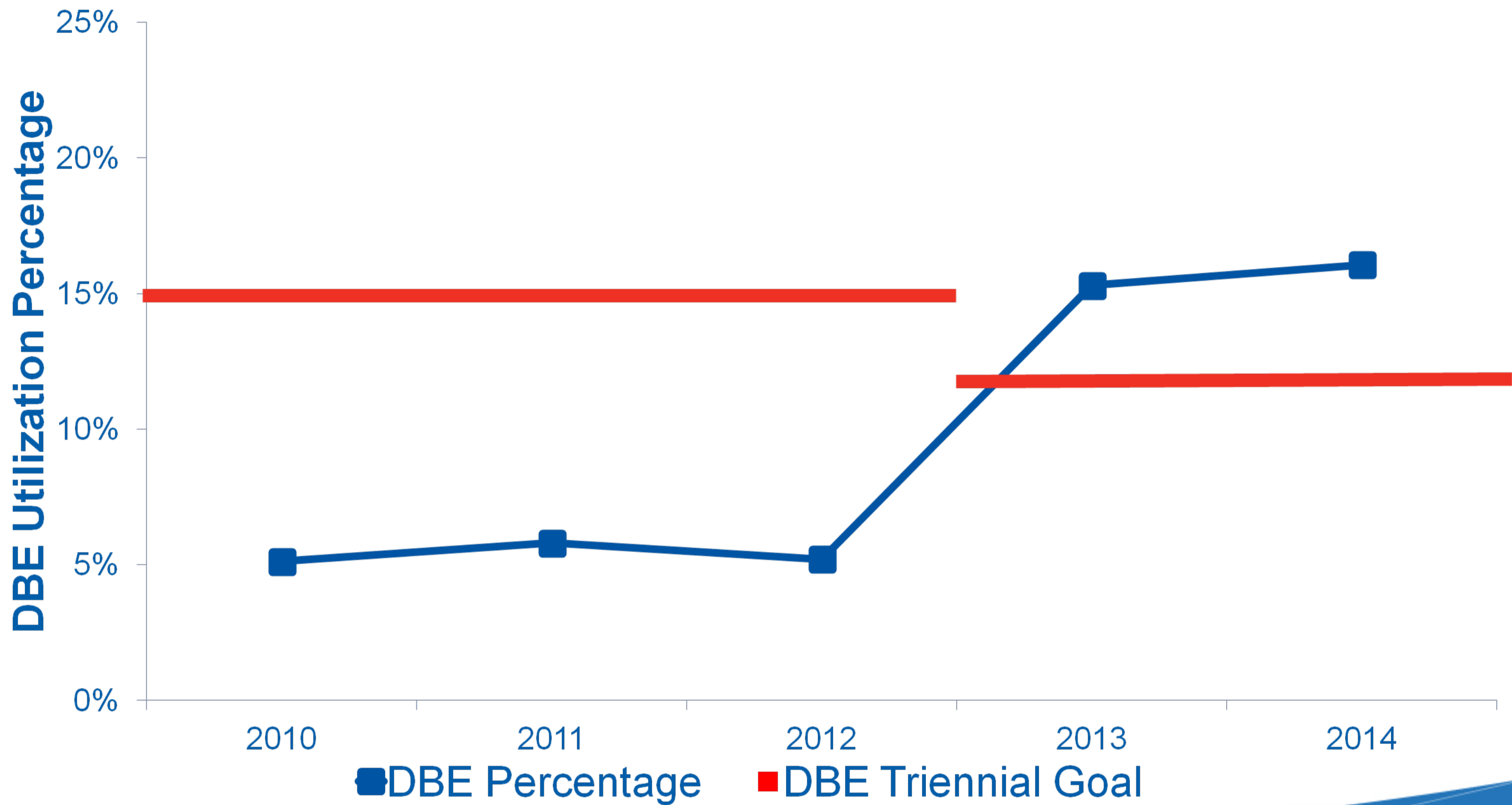


73 DBEs with ES Contracts

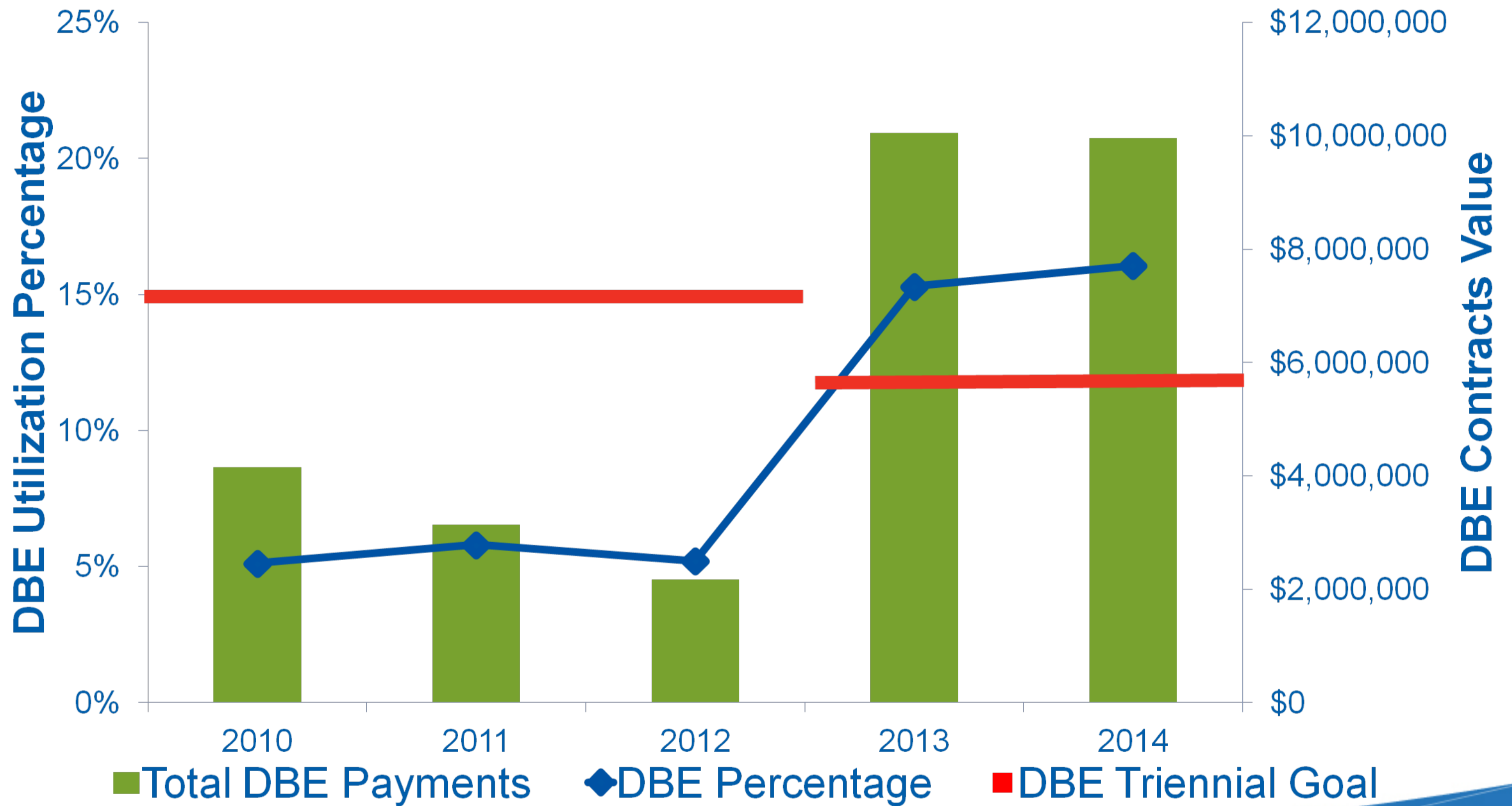
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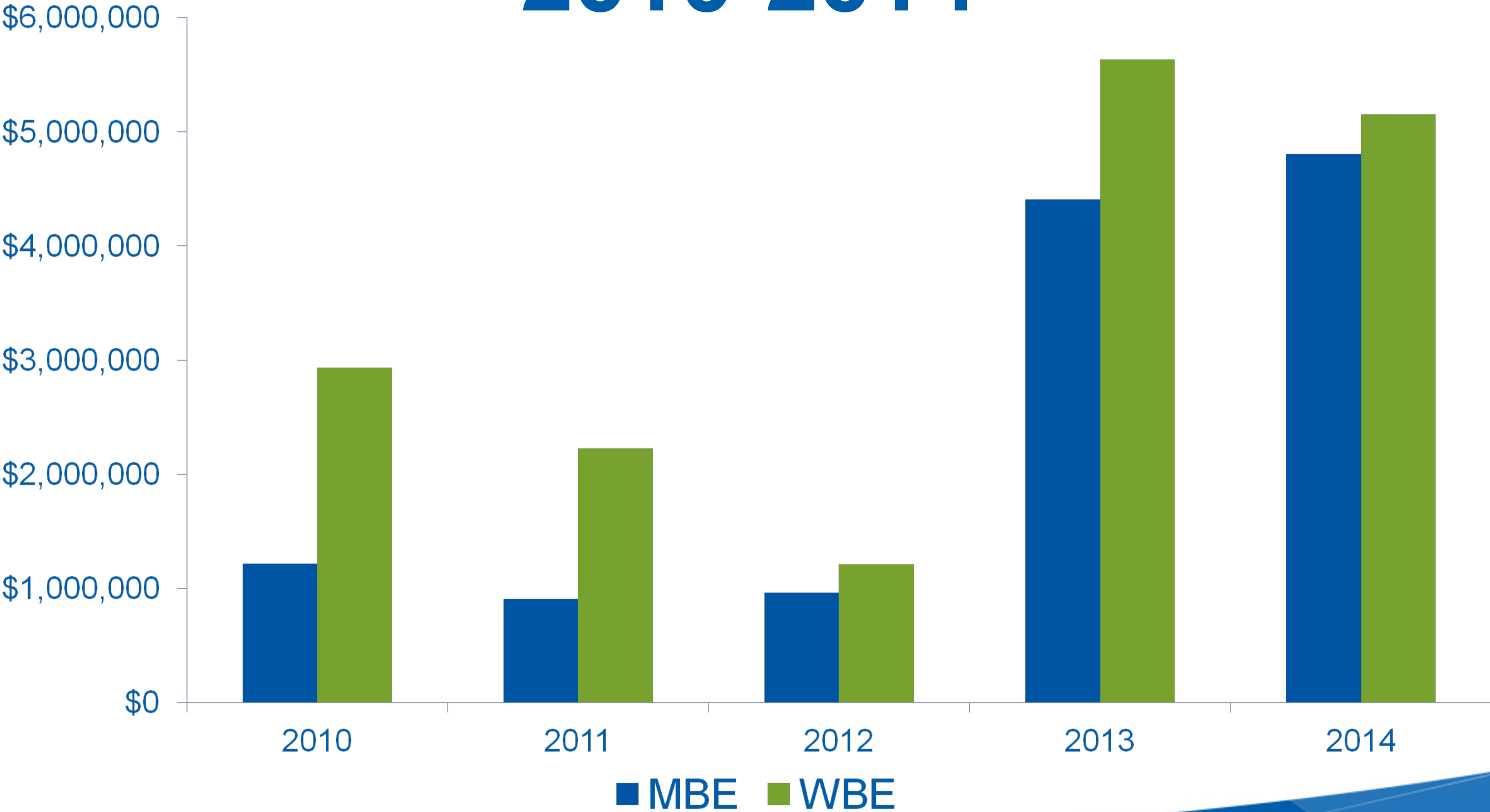
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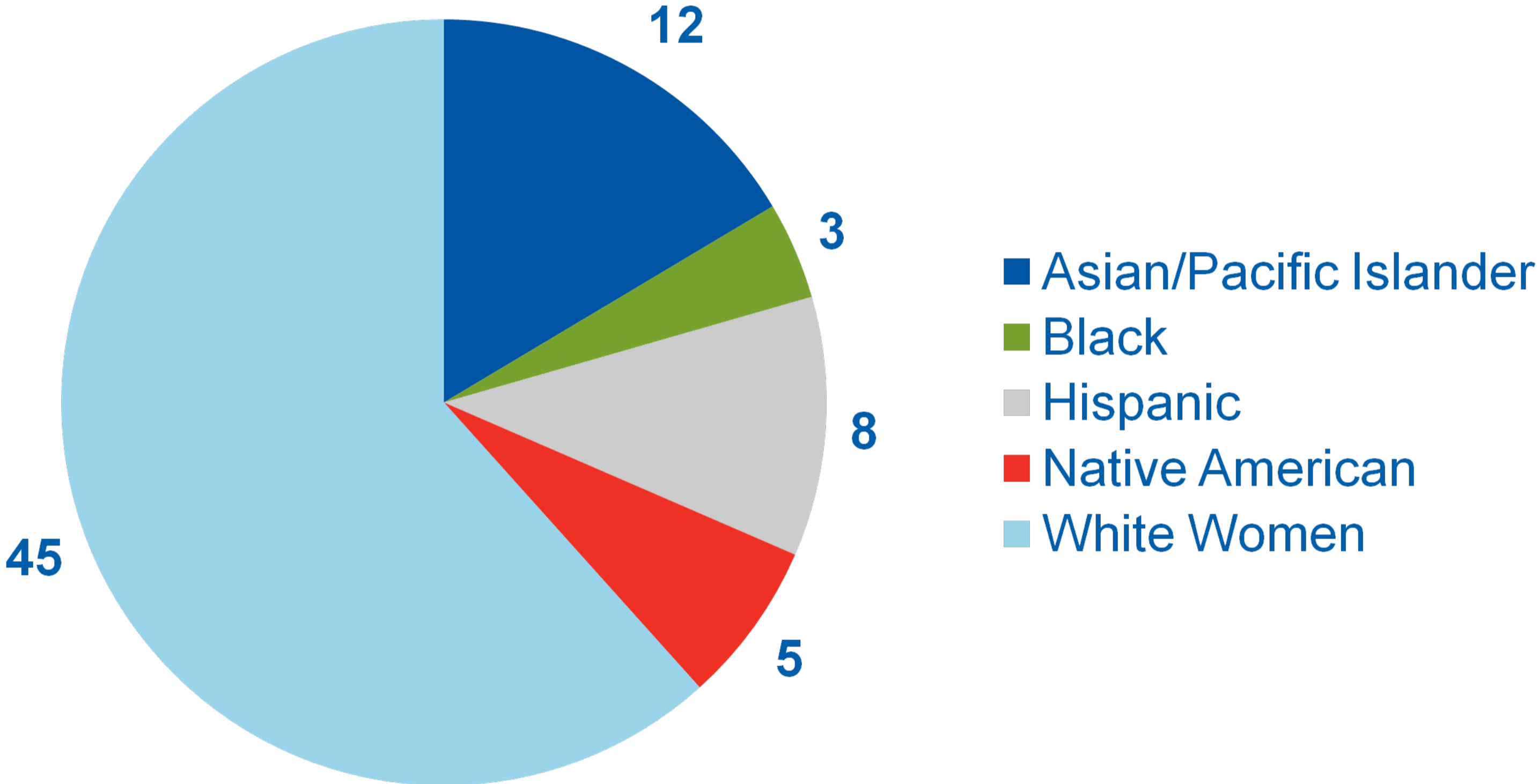
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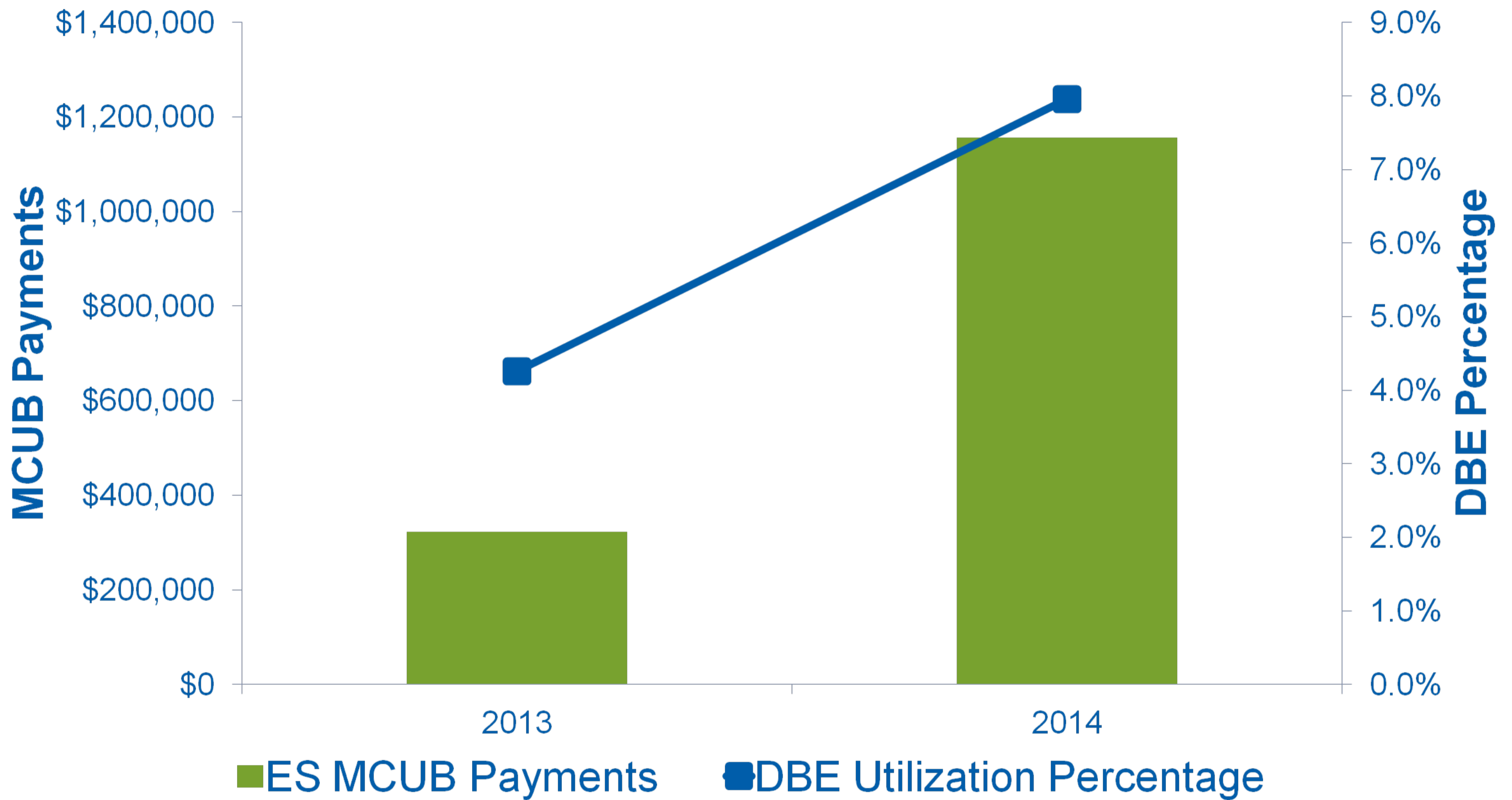
MBE and WBE Contracts 2010-2014



2014 MCES DBEs by Gender & Ethnicity



MCUB ES Contracts 2013-2014



Goals Moving Forward

- Increasing participation of Minnesota small businesses in MCES contracts
- Targeted recruitment of MBE firms to bid and perform on MCES contracts
- Implement new OEO electronic monitoring system – improved monitoring and reporting
- Business development to increase small business capacity

Questions/Comments?