

**WAC 326-20-180 Effect of certification.** Certification by OMWBE under the state program shall have the following effects:

[ (1) Certification shall entitle state agencies, educational institutions, and local government jurisdictions to count the business toward meeting their goals under this chapter, local legislation, and that require the participation of disadvantaged business enterprises. Certification shall be effective as of the date the decision is made in writing and will remain in effect for three years; except that the certification of DBEs shall be updated annually.

(2) Certification does not constitute compliance with any other laws or regulations, including contractor registration or prequalification, and does not relieve any business of its obligations under other laws or regulations. Certification does not constitute any determination by the office that the firm is responsible or capable of performing any work.]

(3) Certification as a minority business enterprise (MBE), minority woman [women's] business enterprise (MWBE), women's business enterprise (WBE), or combination business enterprise (CBE) satisfies the threshold requirement for a qualifying loan under RCW 43.86A.060 (2) (c).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 39.19.030, 43.86A.060, and 2007 c 500 §§ 1 and 2. WSR 08-03-116, § 326-20-180, filed 1/22/08, effective 2/22/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 39.19.030 and 39.19.120. WSR 04-08-093, § 326-20-180, filed 4/6/04, effective 5/7/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 39.19.030(7). WSR 92-11-007, § 326-20-180, filed 5/11/92, effective 6/11/92. Statutory Authority: Chapter 39.19 RCW. WSR 88-09-047 (Order 88-5), § 326-20-180, filed 4/18/88; WSR 84-09-002 (Order 84-5), § 326-20-180, filed 4/5/84. Statutory Authority: 1983 c 120 § 3(7). WSR 83-22-045 (Order 83-3), § 326-20-180, filed 10/28/83.]

**Reviser's note:** RCW 34.05.395 requires the use of underlining and deletion marks to indicate amendments to existing rules, and deems ineffectual changes not filed by the agency in this manner. The bracketed material in the above section does not appear to conform to the statutory requirement.