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General Contractors Association of Pennsylvania Invited to Coalition that Focuses on Modernizing Separations Act

Statewide Coalition Aims to Amend 1913 Construction Procurement Requirement

Harrisburg, PA – The General Contractors Association of Pennsylvania (GCAP) has joined a coalition to modernize the Pennsylvania Separations Act.

Established in 1913, this Act mandates that public entities must solicit separate bids and award separate contracts to at least four prime contractors for one construction project. Pennsylvania is one of only three states that abides by this form of multiple prime contracting, which leads to claims, delays and change orders and this leads to Pennsylvania overpaying for construction. Forty-seven states, the federal government and the private sector are all free to choose their delivery method and rarely do these entities select multiple prime delivery.

The coalition to modernize the Separations Act supports a legislative approach that spells out the delivery systems that a public owner can choose from. Members of the coalition include:

Coalition for Procurement Reform (CPR)

Construction Legislative Council of Western Pennsylvania (CLC)

County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP)

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Design Build Institute of America (DBIA)

General Contractors Association of Pennsylvania (GCAP)

General Building Contractors Association (GBCA)

Green Building Alliance (GBA)

Green Building United (GBU)

Keystone Contractors Association (KCA)

Master Builders' Association of Western Pennsylvania (MBA)

National Federation of Independent Business Pennsylvania (NFIB)

National Utility Contractors Association Pennsylvania (NUCA PA)

Pennsylvania Association of Rural & Small Schools (PARSS)

Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials (PASBO)

Pennsylvania Chamber of Business & Industry (PA Chamber)

Pennsylvania Coalition of Public Charter Schools (PCPCS)

Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA)

U.S. Green Building Council Central Pennsylvania (USGBC CPA)

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ABOUT GCAP: Established in 1953, GCAP is an organization representing the memberships of General Building Contractors Association, Keystone Contractors Association, and Master Builders' Association. Collectively, GCAP represents over 600-plus commercial construction companies based throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. For more information visit <https://generalcontractorsofpa.com/>.

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