

**STATE OF INDIANA
INDIANA COMMISSION ON SUPPLIER DIVERSITY**

**IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFICATION)
ELIGIBILITY OF FORCE)
TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS, LLC.)**

**NOTICE OF FINAL RESOLUTION OF GRIEVANCE
PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE § 4-13-16.5-9**

On November 15, 2023, Force Technology Solutions, LLC (“Force Tech”), submitted a grievance regarding the Indiana Department of Administration’s (“IDOA”) determination denying FORCE TECH’s application for certification as a Women’s Business Enterprise. This grievance was submitted pursuant to Indiana Code § 4-13-16.5-9, which states, in relevant part, the following:

(c) The procedures established under the rules must provide for final resolution of grievances before either of the following:

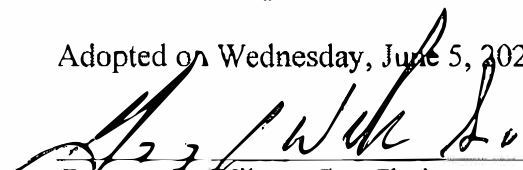
- (1) A panel of three (3) commission members. A panel formed under this subdivision must consist of at least two (2) commission members described in section 2(a)(5) of this chapter.

A panel of three (3) Commission members conducted a virtual public hearing to review FORCE TECH’s grievance filed in this matter on June 5, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. (EST). The panel consisted of Chair Wilson, Commissioner Vega, and Commissioner Patterson. Representatives from both FORCE TECH and IDOA attended the meeting and were provided an opportunity to present information and answer panel questions. After due consideration of the materials provided by the parties, the panel voted 2-1-0 in favor of upholding IDOA’s determination that FORCE TECH does not meet the criteria for certification as a Women’s Business Enterprise.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The panel adopts and incorporates all findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth in IDOA’s Preliminary Determination.
2. IDOA’s Preliminary Determination that FORCE TECH does not meet the criteria for certification as a Women’s Business Enterprise is UPHELD.
3. Pursuant to 25 IAC 5-4-2, FORCE TECH “cannot reapply for certification for twelve (12) months. The time period for reapplication begins to run at the time [FORCE TECH’s] administrative and judicial remedies are exhausted.”
4. Further review may be sought pursuant to IC 4-21.5 *et seq.*

Adopted on Wednesday, June 5, 2024



Gregory L. Wilson, Sr., Chair

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