SMACNA/SMWIA

GULF COAST ASSISTANCE TASK FORCE
TASK FORCE BACKGROUND

CHARGED WITH THE TASK OF FINDING WAYS TO PENETRATE THE GULF COAST MARKET AND GAIN MARKET SHARE
GOALS FOR GULF COAST REGION

- BID ALL SCOPES OF SHEET METAL & ROOFING WORK
- RECAPTURE & INCREASE MARKET SHARE
- ENSURE ALL LOCAL UNION MEMBERS ARE EMPLOYED
GOALS FOR GULF COAST REGION

- CONVINCE CONTRACTORS TO STAY PERMANENTLY IN REGION ONCE RECONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETE
- INCREASE SIZE OF LOCAL UNIONIZED WORKFORCE
TASK FORCE

OBSTACLES

- HOUSING
- LOCAL WAGE RATES
- LICENSING
- APPRENTICE RATIOS
- GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRACY

CONTINUED…
TASK FORCE

OBSTACLES

- SKILLS/TRAINING REQUIREMENTS
- PRODUCTIVITY
- CHALLENGES POSED BY HAZARDOUS/TOXIC CONDITIONS

CONTINUED...
TASK FORCE

OBSTACLES

- BONDING REQUIREMENTS
  – SUGGESTED OUT OF AREA CONTRACTORS PARTNER WITH LOCAL CONTRACTORS
SMWIA WILL MEET WITH THE GULF COAST LOCAL BUSINESS MANAGERS TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

- MANPOWER PLANNING
- DEVELOPMENT OF RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES
- MOBILITY OF MANPOWER
- POTENTIAL APPRENTICE RATIOS MODIFICATIONS TO INCREASE THOSE BEING TRAINED
SMWIA WILL DEVELOP A LETTER THAT SMACNA WILL DISTRIBUTE TO ALL MEMBER CONTRACTORS ADVISING OF WORK OPPORTUNITIES IN GULF AREA AND THE INTERNATIONAL UNION’S DESIRE TO INCREASE UNION MARKET SHARE:

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THE LETTER WILL ADDRESS:

- AVAILABLE WORK OPPORTUNITIES
- MOBILITY OF MANPOWER
- INCENTIVES FOR CONTRACTORS TO BID WORK IN GULF AREA
- CONTACT INFORMATION FOR AREA BUSINESS MANAGERS
- CONTACT INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL UNION IN ORDER TO FIELD INQUIRIES/ISSUES RELATED TO BIDDING WORK
TASK FORCE
ACTION ITEMS

SMACNA STAFF WILL PREPARE INFORMATIONAL PACKETS FOR CONTRACTORS INTERESTED IN BIDDING WORK IN THE GULF STATE REGIONS.
FEMA PRIME CONTRACTOR NEEDS

BECHTEL CORPORATION

- OFFICE FURNISHINGS
- CONSUMABLES FOR FEMA TRAILER HOOK-UPS
- PVC PIPE
- DUST CONTROL
- TRASH DUMPSTERS (SUPPLY & SERVICE)
- BLADDER SERVICE
- WINTERIZATION TRAILERS
FEMA PRIME CONTRACTOR NEEDS

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- TRAVEL TRAILERS & MOBILE HOME HAULERS/INSTALLERS
- GENERAL CONSTRUCTION
- ELECTRICAL
- JANITORIAL SERVICES
- FOOD SERVICES
- OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE
- FACILITY MANAGEMENT
- LOGISTICS
- SECURITY
- TRANSPORTATION
- SHUTTLE SERVICES
FEMA PRIME CONTRACTOR NEEDS

- FLUOR ENTERPRISES, INC.
  - GENERAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
  - TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, & CONSUMABLES
  - SUPPORT/CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT
  - CATERING SERVICES
  - CIVIL, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, INSTALLATION
  - SERVICES (ALL TYPES)
FEMA PRIME CONTRACTOR NEEDS

SHAW GROUP

- GENERAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES
- A/E SERVICES
- HAULING/INSTALLING TRAILERS
- SURVEYING
- ELECTRICAL SUBCONTRACTORS
- MECHANICAL SUBCONTRACTORS
EACH STATE’S LICENSING PROCEDURES ARE DIFFERENT.

BELOW ARE TWO OF THE FOUR STATES THAT HAVE ALLOWANCES FOR RECIPROCITY STATE LICENSES:

- **ALABAMA**
  - ARKANSAS
  - MISSISSIPPI
  - LOUISIANA
  - TENNESSEE

- **MISSISSIPPI**
  - ALABAMA
  - ARKANSAS
  - MISSISSIPPI
  - SOUTH CAROLINA
  - TENNESSEE
WORKER’S COMPENSATION

GULF COAST STATES IDENTIFIED BELOW HAVE THEIR OWN INSURANCE AND WORKER’S COMPENSATION REQUIREMENTS

- ALABAMA
- LOUISIANA
- MISSISSIPPI
- TEXAS
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

- STATES ARE REQUIRED TO MEET OSHA STANDARDS. WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY ADDITIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OTHER THAN THOSE MANDATED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
  - FURTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.
SITE CONDITIONS ARE OFTEN REGULATED BY THE FEDERAL AND STATE EPA. THEREFORE, CONTRACTORS SHOULD CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE EPA TO ENSURE THAT ALL ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS ARE BEING PROPERLY FOLLOWED.

- EPA’S HURRICANE KATRINA WEB SITE
- http://www.epa.gov/katrina/index.html