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### City of Detroit Office of Inspector General Debars BDM Transport, LLC and Marvin Eddins

Pursuant to Section 17-5-359 of the City of Detroit Debarment Ordinance (“Debarment Ordinance”), the City of Detroit Office of Inspector General (OIG) has debarred BDM Transport, LLC (BDM) also known as Big Dog, and owner, Marvin Eddins, for a period of five (5) years. These debarments extend to any companies in which Mr. Eddins has an ownership or financial interest. Further, these debarments prohibit BDM and Mr. Eddins from acting as subcontractors or suppliers for any contract for the City of Detroit.

On July 3, 2024, the OIG initiated a complaint involving BDM after the Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP) suspended BDM for one (1) year for allegedly submitting a falsified Certificate of Insurance (COI) in relation to a City of Detroit contract. The OIG, as the chief investigative agent for debarment, determined after a thorough investigation that BDM did not act as a responsible contractor. As such, the OIG determined that BDM and Mr. Eddins should be debarred pursuant to the City’s Debarment Ordinance for submitting fraudulent insurance documentation.

Specifically, the OIG found, based on the evidence detailed in the report, that Mr. Eddins submitted false and fraudulent documentation to the City of Detroit indicating BDM had the required insurance coverage when they did not. Further, Mr. Eddins did not take responsibility or fully cooperate with the OIG’s inquiries. Therefore, based on Mr. Eddins’ actions we find that BDM and Mr. Eddins have not acted as responsible contractors. Accordingly, the OIG is making the following determination:

- **BDM is debarred for five (5) years with an effective date of May 4, 2024.**
- **Marvin Eddins is likewise debarred for five (5) years with an effective date of May 14, 2024.**

Inspector General Marable comments that, “It brings me no joy that one of the first official acts for me as Inspector General is to debar a contractor. It is a solemn responsibility and the impact on the company and ownership is not lost on me. However, we have a clear mandate to hold contractors accountable and to fairly enforce rules and ordinances related to doing business with



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the City of Detroit. Our citizens and contractors should rest assured I will not hesitate in fulfilling any and all mandates to uphold honesty and integrity in City government.”

The full OIG report can be found online at:

[https://detroitmi.gov/sites/detroitmi.localhost/files/2024-09/R\\_Final.BDM\\_24-0034-INV\\_06SEP24\\_JB.pdf](https://detroitmi.gov/sites/detroitmi.localhost/files/2024-09/R_Final.BDM_24-0034-INV_06SEP24_JB.pdf).

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