## Title VI Notice to the Public

- Bi-State Development operates its programs and services without regard to race, color, and national origin in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by any unlawful discriminatory practice under Title VI may file a complaint with Bi-State Development.
- For more information on Bi-State Development's civil rights program, and the procedures to file a complaint, contact (314) 335-3509; EEOCivilRights@bistatedev.org; or visit our administrative office at 211 N. Broadway, St. Louis, MO 63102.
- A complainant may file a complaint directly with the Federal Transit Administration by filing a complaint with the Office of Civil Rights, Attention: Title VI Program Coordinator, East Building, 5th Floor TCR, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20590.
- If information is needed in another language, contact (314) 335-3509.

# **Title VI Complaint Process**

Bi-State Development will process and investigate complaints from individuals alleging discrimination in Bi-State Development's programs or activities under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Race, color or national origin complaints alleging discrimination in programs or activities may be filed pursuant to the following procedures.

#### **How to File a Complaint**

Any person who believes that they have been discriminated against on the basis of race, color or national origin by Bi-State Development may file a Title VI complaint directly or through an authorized representative, by completing and submitting Bi-State Development's Title VI Complaint Form.

Bi-State Development will investigate complaints received no more than 180 days after the alleged incident.

The Title VI Complaint Form should be filed with:

Bi-State Development EEO & Workforce Diversity Office 211 N. Broadway Suite 700, Mail Stop 167 St. Louis, MO 63102

#### **Complaint Acceptance**

Once the complaint is received, Bi-State Development will review it to determine whether it has jurisdiction. The complaint will receive an acknowledgement letter within ten (10) days of our receipt of the complaint information him/her whether the complaint will be investigated by our office.

## **Investigations**

Bi-State Development will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in its services and programs within 60 days of receiving a complete complaint. The Complainant may be contacted if additional information is needed to resolve the complaint. The Complainant will have ten (10) business days from the date of contact to send requested information to Bi-State Development. Bi-State Development may choose to close a complaint if the requested information is not received within ten (10) business days. A complaint can also be administratively closed if the Complainant no longer wishes to pursue the complaint, or if the Complainant fails to cooperate with the investigation of the complaint.

#### **Letters of Findings**

After the investigation is complete, Bi-State Development will make a final decision and issue a letter to the Complainant based on the investigation findings:

- 1. A letter of finding summarizing the allegations and indicating Bi-State Development did not find a violation of the Title VI regulations. This letter closes the case.
- 2. A letter of finding summarizing the allegations and indicating Bi-State Development's services or programs is in violations of the Title VI. The letter will also contain a brief description of remedies that will be taken to achieve compliance.

#### Right to Appeal

Complainant may appeal the final decision resulting from a Title VI investigation by submitting a written appeal to Bi-State Development no later than ten (10) business days after receipt of the final decision letter. The appeal must be submitted to the President of Bi-State Development at the following address: Office of the President, 211 N. Broadway, Suite 700, St. Louis, MO 63102.

### Federal Transit Administrations (FTA)

A person may also file a complaint directly with the Federal Transit Administration's Office of Civil Rights at:

Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
Office of Civil Rights: Title VI Program Coordinator
East Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor TCR
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20590



# **Title VI Complaint Form**

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 states "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receiving Federal financial assistance."

Please provide the following information necessary in order to process your complaint. Complete this form and submit it to Bi-State Development, EEO & Workforce Diversity, 211 N. Broadway, Suite 700, Mail Stop #167, St. Louis, MO 63102 or email it to EEOCivilRights@bistatedev.org.

Section I:								
Name:								
Address:								
Telephone (Home):		Telephone (V	Telephone (Work):					
Email Address:								
Accessible Format Requirements?	Large Print		Audio Tape					
	TDD		Other					
Section II:								
Are you filing this complaint on your own behalf?			Yes*	No				
*If you answered "Yes" to this question, go to Section III.								
If you answered "No", please supply of the person for whom you are fil								
Please explain why you have filed	for a third party:							
	se confirm that you have obtained the permission of the aggrieved party if are filing on behalf of a third party.			No				
Section III:								
I believe the discrimination I experienced was based on (check all that apply):								
[ ] Race [ ] C	olor	[ ] National (	Origin					
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	Have you previously filed a Title VI complaint with this agency?	Yes	No			
	Section V					
	Have you filed this complaint with any other Federal, State, or local agency, or with any Federal or State court?  If "Yes", please apply below.	select all that	No			
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	Please provide information about a contact person at the agency/court where the complaint was filed.					
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