



Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Atlantic

Small Business Update

SSC Atlantic Small
Business and Industry
Outreach Initiative
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Agenda

- ▼ SSC Atlantic Small Business Targets
- ▼ Small Business Regulation and Policy Update

SSC Atlantic 1st Qtr FY 15 Achievements

Small Business Statistics

Category	Achieved*	Goal
SB Prime	31.16%	29.81%
SDB	10.16%	12.18%
SDVOSB	4.77%	2.43%
WOSB	5.35%	4.06%
HUBZone	1.22%	1.48%

Small Business Regulation and Policy Update

▼ SBA Rule Amendments – Status?

- Federal Register Notice issued 2 OCT 2013, effective 31 DEC 2013:
<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-10-02/pdf/2013-22064.pdf>
 - Updates 13 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Parts 121, 124 and 125 including the Acquisition Process: Task and Delivery Order Contracts, Bundling, Consolidation
- The FAR Council is in the process of implementing SBA's final rule through the drafting of policy through several FAR Cases:
 - <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/>
 - 14-002: Set Asides Under MACs
 - 14-003: Small Business Subcontracting Improvements including responsibilities, oversight and review
 - 14-004: Payment to Subcontractors
 - 14-015: Consolidation of Contract Requirements

Expect rule publication for comment within the next 6 – 12 months

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Frequently Asked Question

- ▼ When will SSC Atlantic implement the authority in the FY 2013 NDAA regarding performance of work?
 - Answer: Under the new rules created by the 2013 NDAA, a small business may meet its own performance obligations by subcontracting to a “similarly situated entity.” In other words, a small business may satisfy its own performance requirements by subcontracting to another small business, an 8(a) company to another 8(a) company, and so on. Until the relevant provisions are changed, the limitations of subcontracting clause governs contract performance.

Proposed Rule posted for comment:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2014/12/29/2014-29753/small-business-government-contracting-and-national-defense-authorization-act-of-2013-amendments>

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▼ *Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors:*

- *Effective 1 August 2014*, the DOD is reinstating the temporary practice of providing accelerated payments to all prime contractors.
 - Contracting officers are directed to continue using the clause at FAR 52.232-40, "Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors," which requires contractors to make accelerated payments to their small business subcontractors upon receipt of accelerated payments from the government.

▼ *Improving Communications during the Market Research Process:*

- *Effective Immediately*, whenever a sources sought noticed is issued to conduct market research, contracting officers shall document the results and provide feedback to industry regarding the decision made to set aside/not set aside a procurement and must include a statement the SBO concurs with the decision.

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- ▼ On December 2, 2014, the House Armed Services Committee and Senate Armed Services Committee released the text of an agreement they have reached on the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2015 (“NDAA”).
 - Section 825 of the FY 2015 NDAA creates, for the first time, sole source authority for small business concerns owned and controlled by women. This legislation will bring parity to the WOSB Program which, until now, was the only small business procurement program without sole source authority.
 - WOSBs will not see the impact immediately. SBA will need to promulgate rules to implement the law, then the FAR council will need to approve the changes, and lastly, government officials will need to learn about the change. But the passage of the FY 2015 NDAA is a very important first step.



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SPAWAR posted an [updated](#) (November 2014) three-year acquisition forecast to its public web portal entitled "SPAWAR 3 Year Acquisition Forecast"

<http://www.public.navy.mil/spawar/Pages/SmallBusiness.aspx>