

SBA issues major proposed rule affecting HUBZones & 8(a)

Multi-faceted proposal also affects WOSBs & VetCert; Changes planned for affiliation, recertifications & more

The Small Business Administration (SBA) on Aug. 23 published a significant proposed rule affecting its small business set-aside programs, including its HUBZone program and flagship 8(a) Business Development program.

The agency also proposed to amend affiliation rules and make other technical changes for its Women-Owned Small Businesses (WOSBs) and Veteran Small Business Certification (VetCert) programs.

SBA said the rule also would consolidate recertification requirements for 8(a), HUBZone, WOSBs and Service-

Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSBs) into a single requirement.

Comments are due by Oct. 7.

Here is an overview of the most significant provisions.

HUBZone changes

For HUBZone firms, SBA's stated goal is to "clarify and improve" certain policies from the comprehensive revisions in 2019. The changes include:

--**Eligibility:** The proposed rule would require HUBZone firms to be eligible on

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Upcoming defense/civilian rules

On Aug. 16, the Defense Dept., General Services Administration and NASA published their Semiannual Regulatory Agenda outlining regulations being developed in the next 12 months.

Significant regulations for small business federal contractors include three proposed and 6 final rules:

Proposed Rule Stage

--**Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI):** This rule will apply the CUI requirements in federal contracts in a uniform manner to protect CUI. It is being issued to comply with National Archives and Records Administration regulations. A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) is anticipated in October 2024.

--**Minimizing Climate Change Risks in Federal Procurement:** This rule will allow agencies to prefer solutions with lower life-cycle greenhouse gas emissions and to require federal contrac-

tors to identify and manage climate risks that may impact performance. NPRM was expected in July; not yet issued.

--**Supply Chain Software Security:** This rule will require software suppliers to comply with the Homeland Security Dept.'s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency Secure Software Development Attestation Form, and rules for critical software. The NPRM was to be

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Rocky days ahead

This November's congressional and presidential elections are adding scheduling pressures and heightened uncertainty to Congress' actions on the fiscal 2025 appropriations bills and the annual national defense authorization act. Expect a probable Continuing Resolution by Sept. 30, and then bets may be off until after the elections. The winners may well delay final spending bills until after Inauguration Day in January.

GSA's per diems FY25

On Aug. 16, the General Services Administration announced that the standard lodging rate for federal employees will increase to \$110 per day, from \$107, starting on Oct. 1.

The standard rate for reimbursement of federal employee meals and incidental expenses will rise from \$59 to \$68 daily.

GSA said 296 geographic areas have higher per diem rates due to their higher costs. The agency offers a search tool to find rates for specific locations at <https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates>.

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Proposals for HUBZones, 8(a)

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the date of offer for a HUBZone contract. Currently the firms also would need to be eligible upon the award of a contract, but under the new rule that would no longer be required if the contract was competitively awarded.

--**Recertification:** The rule would remove the current requirement of annual HUBZone recertification. Recertification would be every three years.

--**HUBZone employees:** Under current rules, HUBZone employees must work at least 40 hours per month. SBA judged that to be insufficient, noting that it could leave HUBZone offices empty much of the time. The new rule would double that requirement to 80 hours a month.

--**Length of HUBZone Employee Residence:** Currently, to be considered a HUBZone employee an individual must have lived in a HUBZone for at least 180 days. The new rule would shorten that to 90 days.

--**"Attempt to Maintain":** By law, HUBZone firms must have 35% of their employees living in a HUBZone. But under the current rules, a HUBZone firm can have less than 35% at the time of its annual recertification if the firm is performing a HUBZone contract. "This means that a firm being awarded HUBZone contracts in essence never has to demonstrate that it is employing at least 35% HUBZone residents," SBA wrote in the notice.

To close this loophole, SBA is proposing to offer firms falling short a one-year grace period after being awarded a contract to hire more employees and meet the 35% requirement. During the grace period, the "attempt to maintain" policy would apply.

--**Legacy Employees:** A Legacy HUBZone Employee is defined as having lived in a HUBZone for at least 90 days before, and 180 days after, the firm's most recent certification or recertification, who remains an employee, and does not live in a Redesignated area.

The new rule proposes that HUBZone firms may have only a single Legacy Employee at a time. SBA is specifically seeking comments on this limit.

--**Telework:** The notice states that "SBA proposes to allow 100% of a firm's em-

ployees to telework, but "where that occurs it would require the firm to have 51% of its employees reside in a HUBZone instead of the normal 35%," the SBA notice stated.

--**Long-Term Investments:** Current regulations offer favorable "Long-Term Investment" policies for office space located in HUBZones. The proposed rule would clarify that principal offices in a Redesignated or Qualified Disaster Area, or that are owner-occupied as a residence, are not eligible for those favorable policies.

--**Governor-Designated Zones:** The proposed rule would clarify that a Governor-Designated zone generally will be treated as a HUBZone until the next HUBZone Map update (every five years), or a year after it is approved by SBA, whichever is later.

It also would authorize SBA's Associate Administrator for Government Contracting and Business Development to approve such zones, not the Administrator.

8(a) Program

There are a number of significant provisions specific to the 8(a) program in the proposed rule.

--**Highest Compensation:** Under current rules, the disadvantaged owner generally must receive the highest compensation. If the owner wants to hire a non-disadvantaged person at a higher salary, SBA's prior permission must be obtained. The proposed rule says the 8(a) firm must notify SBA within 30 days after such a hire. SBA still has discretion of whether to approve the hire.

--**Change of Ownership:** Under current law, the SBA generally needs to approve changes in 8(a) ownership except in cases where all non-disadvantaged individuals involved own 20% or less of the 8(a) firm, both before and after the transaction. SBA wants to raise that threshold to 30%. If the 8(a) firm changing ownership has never won a contract, the firm would not need SBA's approval but would have to notify SBA of such a change within 60 days or before submitting an offer.

--**Ownership Restrictions:** Under current law, a non-disadvantaged par-

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Should micro limit be raised?

Doubling the Micro-Purchase Threshold to \$20,000--from \$10,000 currently--likely would save the federal government at least \$30 million a year, according to Emily Murphy, former administrator of the General Services Administration.

And raising the micro threshold even higher would generate even more savings, concluded a recent research paper written by Murphy and co-authors at George Mason U.

The paper analyzed the government's costs for using Simplified Acquisition Procedures, then compared those costs to what would occur when using a higher micro-purchase threshold. Larger increases in the micro threshold "would deliver significantly higher savings," Murphy wrote.

Murphy led the GSA under the Trump Administration from 2017 to 2020.

More information:

<https://tinyurl.com/ms75a9as>

DARPA names 5 tech hubs

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) announced on Aug. 22 that it has selected five top technology incubators across the country to assist in rapid commercialization and scaling of DARPA-funded new technologies.

The selected DARPA Commercial Accelerators are:

--Capital Factory, Austin, TX;
--CIMIT, at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, MA;
--FedTech, Hyperion Technologies LLC, Arlington, VA;
--SRI International, Menlo Park, CA; and
--Wireless Research Center of North Carolina, Wake Forest, NC.

The DARPA Commercial Accelerators will work with qualified DARPA-funded companies to:

--Access entrepreneur/investor networks and non-adversarial private funding;
--Provide training, mentoring and pre-seed company building;
--Leverage regional capabilities; and
--Develop strategies to reduce risk.

More information: <https://www.darpa.mil/news-events/2024-08-22>

SBA hosts cyber event

The Small Business Administration is hosting its Small Business Cyber Summit on Oct. 16 and 23. The free virtual event is designed to help small businesses boost their cybersecurity.

Register at <https://bit.ly/SBACyberSummit2024>.

New rules

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issued in July.

Final Rule Stage

--Prohibitions on Certain Telecom and Video Services or Equipment, and on Contracting with Companies that Utilize such Equipment: These two rules will finalize interim rules prohibiting federal agencies from buying telecom services or equipment--or contracting with companies that use such equipment--from the Huawei, ZTE, Hytera, Hangzhou and Dahua companies. Final rules are to come out in April 2025.

--Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate-Related Financial Risk: This rule will order certain federal contractors to publicly disclose their annual greenhouse gas emissions. Some also must disclose their climate-related financial risk and to set science-based targets for reducing such emissions. The final rule is due in December 2024.

--Cyber Threat and Incident Reporting and Information Sharing: This rule will authorize agencies to increase information shared on cyber threats and incidents, and will require contractors to report cyber incidents to the government. The final rule is due in December 2024.

--Prohibition on a Bytedance Covered Application: This rule prohibits executive agencies from having or using the TikTok application on any government IT. The final rule will be in May 2025.

--Pay Equity and Transparency in Federal Contracting: This rule will prohibit contractors and subcontractors from seeking information about job applicants' previous compensation. Vendors also will be required to disclose the wages to be offered in job announcements. The final rule will be issued in December 2024.

More information:

Notice <https://tinyurl.com/59ep785e>

Procurement Watch

Sources Sought

CONTRACT: DOE's Office of Enterprise Assessments: Professional Technical, and Management Support Services
Notice ID: 89303024REA000008
Agency: Dept. of Energy
Responses due: Sept. 17

Set Aside: Total Small Business
Product Service Code: R499 - Support-Professional: Other
NAICS Code: 541 - Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
Location: Washington, DC
Website: <https://tinyurl.com/2s3zyjuu>

CONTRACT: Technical Expertise and Support Services IDIQ Sources Sought Notice

Notice ID: HSA20240822
Responses due: Sept. 12

Set Aside: Total Small Business
Product Service Code: R425 - Support-Professional: Engineering/Technical
NAICS Code: 541990 - All Other Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
Location: Washington, DC
Website: <https://tinyurl.com/58np2emb>

CONTRACT: FRT Boat Maintenance
Notice ID: N3904024Q0092

Agency: Dept. of the Navy; NAVSEA
Responses due: Sept. 20

Set Aside: Total Small Business
Product Service Code: J019 - Maint/Repair/Rebuild of Equipment- Ships, Small Craft, Pontoons, and Floating Docks
NAICS Code: 36611 - Ship Building and Repairing
Location: Kittery, ME
Website: <https://tinyurl.com/yzdpwde2>

CONTRACT: US Virgin Island Veterans Drive - VI DPC A34(1)
Notice ID: 693C73-24-SS-0013

Agency: DOT; FHA
Responses due: Sept. 24
Set Aside: Total Small Business
Product Service Code: Y1LB - Construction Of Highways, Roads, Streets, Bridges, and Railways
NAICS Code: 237310 - Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction

Location: St Thomas, Virgin Islands
Website: <https://tinyurl.com/yc5yabs2>

Presolicitations

CONTRACT: Internal Contractor Support Services (iCSS) Presolicitation Notice
Notice ID: N6134024R0037
Agency: Dept. of the Navy
Responses due: Sept. 12

Set Aside: WOSB
Product Service Code: R425 - Support-Professional: Engineering/Technical
NAICS Code: 541330 - Engineering Services
Location: Orlando, FL
Website: <https://tinyurl.com/mw8nbf6x>

CONTRACT: Coralville Lake, Tree Maintenance IDIQ

Notice ID: W912EK24Q0034

Agency: Dept. of the Army; USACE
Responses due: Sept. 10

Set Aside: Total Small Business
Product Service Code: S208 - Housekeeping- Landscaping/ Groundskeeping
NAICS Code: 561730 - Landscaping Services
Location: Iowa City, IA
Website: <https://tinyurl.com/bde98jpd>

CONTRACT: Chicago Harbor Shorearm Extension and Breakwater, Chicago Illinois

Notice ID: W912P624B0015

Agency: Dept. of the Army; USACE
Responses due: Nov. 20

Set Aside: Total Small Business
Product Service Code: Y1PZ - Construction of Other Non-building Facilities
NAICS Code: 237990 - Other Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction
Location: Chicago, IL
Website: <https://tinyurl.com/4wrbyjys>

Column: DC Cracks Down on Employee Misclassification in Construction

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Employee misclassification is an area of employment law that steadily has become a prominent subject of litigation in recent years. The decision of whether a specific worker is properly identified as an employee or independent contractor is not always easy to make and depends on the specific policies and practices applicable to each worker.

Making the correct decision is critical. Consistent with other jurisdictions across the country, a new lawsuit filed by the District of Columbia Attorney General demonstrates the intent to curb instances of worker misclassification, particularly within the construction industry. Construction companies must be vigilant about classifying workers to avoid potentially harsh penalties that may arise when a worker is misclassified.

Employees vs. Independent Contractors

It's important to note the legal differences between the rights afforded employees vs. independent contractors. For instance, employees are guaranteed a federal minimum wage, and for the non-exempt, overtime pay. They also may be entitled to paid vacation, time off, meal breaks, etc. under state laws.

Ultimately, independent contractors are deemed to work for themselves. In most cases, independent contractors are not entitled to receive such benefits. Companies face harsh penalties for misclassification. State laws often provide for double, triple, or quadruple damages for unpaid wages occasioned by misclassification, plus attorneys' fees and costs to the worker.

But how do companies determine which workers are employees and which are independent contractors?

In January 2024, the Labor Dept. proposed a final rule for determining independent contractor/employee status. The proposed final rule advocates for a 6-factor test that considers:

- The worker's opportunity for profit or loss depending on managerial skill;
- The investments made by the worker

and the employer;

- The degree of permanence of the working relationship;

- The nature and degree of control the company has over the worker;

- The extent to which the work performed is an integral part of the company's business; and

- The worker's skill and initiative, although additional factors may be considered as well.

These factors are similar to tests utilized by courts in many states to make the independent contractor/employee determination.

The broad and vague nature of the various tests makes classification decisions difficult for companies. And there is very little opportunity to short circuit or simplify the classification. Even when the worker and company agree to an independent contractor relationship, that agreement is not controlling. The actual circumstances of the work and the parties' relationship will govern review, often through hindsight.

The Case

This primer on classification issues leads us to the case in question. On June 18, 2024, the DC Attorney General filed a lawsuit in the DC Superior Court against a large construction subcontractor performing mechanical services work on several high-profile projects across the District. The lawsuit alleges that the company regularly violates District law to bolster its profits by intentionally misclassifying its workers as independent contractors instead of employees.

Specifically, the company is accused of obtaining misclassified workers through a rotating cast of "labor subcontractors," i.e., second-tier subcontractors, which exist primarily to provide misclassified construction workers for the subcontractor's projects. The labor subcontractors are included as co-defendants in the complaint. These labor subcontractors are alleged to serve as what are commonly referred to as labor bro-

kers, which are prevalent in the construction industry and serve as intermediaries between workers and the non-union construction companies they service. Notably, these entities serve no supervisory or decision-making role on the projects for which they are subcontracted.

In the lawsuit, the Attorney General states that: "By misclassifying their employees as independent contractors, these companies have systemically denied the employees of their rights to minimum wage, overtime pay, and paid sick leave, resulting in unlawfully suppressed labor costs." Such alleged illegal cost reductions not only benefit the contractor and its labor subcontractors, but are passed up through the contracting chain to all general contractors who contract with the mechanical subcontractor. The Attorney General included a well-known general contractor as a co-defendant, seeking to hold both the mechanical subcontractor and general contractor strictly liable for their labor subcontractors' violations. The Attorney General is claiming relief in the form of restitution, injunctive relief and statutory penalties, among other authorized damages.

How Can Construction Companies Avoid Litigation?

Construction companies should examine their hiring practices and ensure that accurate classification decisions are made as to each worker. What is more, general contractors and higher-tier subcontractors should implement compliance obligations for their subcontractors and lower-tier subcontractors in order to avoid wage-and-hour liability passing up the chain to an otherwise compliant construction company. Ensuring accurate classification of workers will help construction companies avoid being targeted by state and local regulators and the potential financial impact of wage-and-hour litigation.

If you have questions concerning classification, please contact the authors Matt Feinberg or Jon Neri or other member of PilieroMazza's Litigation & Dispute Resolution, Construction, or Labor & Employment practice groups. This column was reprinted with permission.

Event Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2024

- 6 Applications due for WBDC Illinois chapter's FedCon program <https://tinyurl.com/yz5z768b>
- 10 US DOT hosts One-Day Pilot Program Experience, Pathways to Entrepreneurship Program: Powering Small Businesses in Emerging Transportation Markets, Washington, DC and virtual <https://tinyurl.com/3ysy6k5u>
- 10 SECAF 2024 Small Business Summit, George Mason U., VA <https://tinyurl.com/44e5d36e>
- 10-12 2024 Maneuver Warfighter Conference Expo, Fort Moore, GA <https://www.fbcinc.com/search.aspx>
- 12 The CGP hosts The CyberSide Chat, Washington, DC <https://tinyurl.com/57vecuk2>
- 17 NVSBC hosts DC Metro Engagement Dinner and VetFed Academy, Arlington, VA <https://tinyurl.com/3sefyr6>
- 18-19 AFCEA (OK chapter) hosts 19th Annual Cybersecurity and Technology Forum, Midwest City, OK Contact info@federaltrainingpartnership.com
- 19 Govology hosts Webinar: The Buy Indian Act: Regulatory Updates and Their Implications for Tribal-Owned Businesses <https://tinyurl.com/5cpcjsy2>
- 23 Capital Business Development Association hosts 2nd Epic CBDA Golf Tournament, Arlington, VA <https://tinyurl.com/394bnm3w>
- 24 TargetGov hosts Webinar: How to THRIVE - Price and Profit Strategies by Pricing Labor Rates <https://shorturl.at/fwXLV>
- 25 NVSBC hosts Tampa Engagement Dinner, Tampa, FL <https://tinyurl.com/3sefyr6>
- 26 CO Apex Accelerator hosts Webinar <https://coptac.ecenterdirect.com/events/34968>
- 26 Deltek and Red Team host Webinar: Navigating Strategic Growth Through an Unsettled Political Landscape <https://tinyurl.com/rhw5nvz7>

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- 1-2 CUI-CON Seattle conference on CMMC, Bellevue, WA <https://cui-con.com/seattle-2024/>
- 2 GRF CPAs and Advisors hosts Webinar: Advantages and Strategic Considerations for Government Contractors with Commercial Clients <https://tinyurl.com/257f39b7>
- 3 NVSBC hosts Huntsville Engagement Dinner, Huntsville, AL <https://tinyurl.com/3sefyr6>
- 8 NVSBC hosts DC Metro Engagement Dinner and VetFed Academy, Arlington, VA <https://tinyurl.com/3sefyr6>
- 8-9 USDA Cybersecurity Expo 2024 (Virtual) <https://www.fbcinc.com/search.aspx>
- 10 US DOL hosts Cybersecurity Day, Washington, DC <https://www.fbcinc.com/event.aspx/Q6UJ9A01Q8ZZ>
- 10 CBDA hosts Event, Army-Navy Country Club, Arlington, VA <https://tinyurl.com/mrp6b8hx>
- 10 Women in Defense, Hampton Roads, VA chapter,

OCTOBER 2024 (continued)

- hosts 2024 Annual Professional Development Day, Chesapeake, VA <https://tinyurl.com/mwpyn5jf>
- 15 CMS hosts CyberWorks 2024 Annual CMS Cybersecurity Conference, Baltimore, MD (and virtual) <https://www.fbcinc.com/event.aspx/Q6UJ9A01X8C1>
- 16-17 DSI Group hosts 27th Annual DOD/VA & Gov Health IT Summit, National Harbor, MD <https://healthit.dsigroup.org/>
- 21-25 SAVE THE DATE - INFOPAC Information Forces Indo-Pacific, Honolulu, HI <https://www.fbcinc.com/e/infopac/>
- 22-23 INFOPAC 2024 (formerly the Pacific IO & EW Symposium) Honolulu, HI <https://www.fbcinc.com/search.aspx>
- 22 NVSBC hosts San Diego Engagement Dinner, San Diego, CA <https://tinyurl.com/3sefyr6>
- 23 Wyoming Virtual Cybersecurity Conference <https://www.fbcinc.com/search.aspx>
- 23 SECAF 2024 Golf Tournament, Clifton, VA <https://tinyurl.com/2fa7tj8c>
- 24 DISA J6 Cyber Awareness Forum, Washington, DC <https://www.fbcinc.com/event.aspx/Q6UJ9A01YF2W>
- 27-30 Association of PTACs hosts Fall 2024 APTAC Training Conference, Washington, DC <https://www.aptac-us.org/aptac-conferences/>
- 29 NVSBC hosts Colorado Springs Engagement Dinner, Colorado Springs, CO <https://tinyurl.com/3sefyr6>
- 29-30 NVSBC hosts National Veteran Business Matchmaking Conference and Vets Night Out 2024, Detroit, MI <https://nvbd.org/events/>
- 30 MACPA (Maryland Association of CPAs) Government Contractors Conference, Rockville, MD <https://tinyurl.com/ue6htf22>
- 31 Oak Ridge National Lab, Cyber Click or Treat, Oak Ridge, TN Contact info@federaltrainingpartnership.com for details

NOVEMBER 2024

- 6-7 AFCEA Atlanta hosts Homeland Security Conference 2024, Atlanta, GA <https://www.fbcinc.com/e/AFCEAATL/>
- 7 CBDA hosts Virtual Event <https://tinyurl.com/mrp6b8hx>
- 7 NVSBC hosts Veteran Business Advocate Awards Gala, Falls Church, VA <https://tinyurl.com/3sefyr6>
- 13-14 Veterans in Business Network hosts 8th Annual VIB Network National Conference, San Diego, CA <https://shorturl.at/zl356>

DECEMBER 2024

- 10 GRF CPAs and Advisors hosts Cyber Conference (virtual) <https://www.grfcpa.com/events/grf-cyber-symposium/>
- 10-12 SpacePower Conference, Orlando, FL <https://www.attendspacepower.com/e/spc24/>

2025

FEBRUARY 2025

- 3-5 SAVE THE DATE: National 8(a) Assoc. hosts 2025 National Small Business Conference, New Orleans, LA
- 26 SAVE THE DATE: Govini's next Defense Software & Data Summit, Washington, DC

MAY 2025

- 4-8 Spring 2025 APTAC Training Conference, Chicago, IL <https://www.aptac-us.org/aptac-conferences/>

Teaming Opportunities

Linkitall LLC (LIA) is a certified WOSB, SDVOSB, HUBZone and 8(a) firm with core capabilities in Cyber Security, Construction, and Program and Technical Administrative services. We are actively seeking teaming partners, both large and small, in the areas of Workforce Development, Engineering Services, Educational Support Services, Enterprise Design and Integration, Cybersecurity, and IT Supply Chain Management. If your company specializes in any of these areas and is interested in exploring a partnership, please contact Kamita McElveen, CEO, at growth@lia-na.com.

Veteran Enterprise Technology Services (VETS) is looking for a subcontractor to support an opportunity in Panama City FL. The partner must have experience in SCUBA operations/diving operations for the US Navy or USMC. Subcontractor must have a secret facility clearance. VETS prefers a partner with experience operating in the Gulf of Mexico and with experience supporting NSWC Panama City. NAICS 541990. Contact Ryan Gallagher at rgallagher@vets-llc.com or call him at 781-223-1813.

V12Network LLC, a CBDA member headquartered in Ashburn VA, is looking for teaming partners for non-emergency patient transport services at Veterans Administration Medical Centers (VAMCs) in Syracuse, NY and Ann Arbor MI. V12 provides facilities management and special needs transportation services for a number of federal facilities across the country. NAICS 485991. Contact Asad Naqvi at asad@V12NetworkLLC.com.

Eigennet is looking for an 8(a) partner with prime past performance providing non-IT Program Management support services to the IRS. Eigennet provides its Doc2Data services to federal agencies via its GSA MAS and other contracts. The CBDA member company, headquartered in Rockville MD, has CMMI DEV&SVC ML 2 & ISO 9001:2015. Contact Manu Johns at mjohns@eigennet.com.

Horizon Global Partners, an 8(a) firm located in Reston VA, is looking for

a small business firm with Shipboard Engineering, C4I, and Past Performance with NAVSEA. This is a short notice request. HGP has 34 offices worldwide offering digital transformation & IT security solutions. Contact Anne Terry at Anne.Terry@HgPUS.COM.

Roccomar, a CBDA member firm that is 8(a) and EDWOSB, is seeking partners with Data Analytics, Statistics, Organization Management, Instructional Design or Change Management past performance at the IRS valued at over \$100M under 541611 NAICS. Roccomar has two locations in the Washington, DC area. Its employees have supported DoD and DHS on multiple technical and high visibility contracts. If you meet these criteria, contact Wendy Roche at wendy.roche@roccomar.com.

Addx Corporation, an SDVOSB, is looking for a partner with local experience at CENTCOM, preferably in theater planning and synchronization (STRATEGY, PLANS AND POLICY SUPPORT). ADDX, headquartered in Alexandria VA, has GSAMAS, OASIS, eFAST, Seaport-NxG and RS3 contracts. Contact Chip Borman at LBorman@addxcorp.com.

Egnyte, headquartered in Mountain View with offices in the US and Europe, is looking for 8(a) firms with past performance with NIH specifically and HHS generally for the following NAICS Codes: 541511, 541519, 513210, 541512 518210 and 541513. Egnyte is an Other than Small SaaS provider who has been added by Google to the STRIDES (NIH) contract. If you have past performance in these areas, contact Greg Nelson at gnelson@egnyte.com.

Nijsha Enterprise Inc., Jonesboro GA, routinely manufactures build-to-print electrical items, providing turnkey solutions for items completed and assembled via customer provided Technical Data Packages with on-time scheduled deliveries. The company is ISO 9001:2015/AS 9100D Certified. Since 2006, Nijsha has provided major program support expertise for or-

ganizations such as DLA, NASA, CECOM Army radar systems, Mobile Aero Team and ManTech. NAICS: 334419, 335931, 335312, 335999, 335929, 334417 and 334418. Contact CEO Jerrell Johnson at Jerrell@nijshaenterprise.com or call 770-210-1302.

Powell Industries Inc is seeking a subcontractor to provide weekend aircraft wash / lubrication services at Eglin AFB, FL. Ref. SOL-FA282324Q3024. Performance start date is Sept. 30. Closing date is 10 am Eastern time on Sept. 8. NAICS 488190. To request SOW, send capability statement to Curtis Powell at powellindi@aol.com or call 757-471-2207. See other Powell Industries subcontract opportunities across the country at www.powellindustriesinc.com.

Powell Industries Inc is seeking a subcontractor to provide on-site Modular Building Interior Repainting - B-49 preparation, repair, cleaning, priming and removal of partitions, Warner Robins, GA. Ref. SOL-FA857124Q0131. Closing date is 10 am Eastern Time on Sept. 13. Performance start date is Sept. 27. NAICS 238320. To request SOW, send capability statement to Curtis Powell at powellindi@aol.com or call 757-471-2207.

Caddell Construction Co. (DE) seeks small business subcontractors to participate in Design/Build at the Physics Lab BLDG 8985 Redstone Arsenal, AL. NAICS 236220 and all trades. Ref. SOL-W9127818R0002/2698. Contact Natie Mitchell at natie.mitchell@caddell.com.

Management & Training Corporation (MTC), operator of the Centennial Job Corps Center in Nampa ID, seeks a small business subcontractor for conversion of CBP Warehouse rooms. Davis Bacon Act applies. Performance start date is Sept. 30. NAICS 236220. Contact Sandra Clore at sandra.clore@mtctrains.com for requirements and vendor packet.

Small Business Defense Contracts Awarded

NAVY

DCS Corp., Alexandria, Virginia, is awarded a \$16,014,124 cost-plus-fixed-fee order (N0001924F0671) against a basic ordering agreement (N0001920G0001). This order includes development, integration, test and evaluation, deployment and delivery, modifications, and operations and sustainment of hardware and software products supporting the PMA-281 domestic Joint Mission Planning System program. Work will be performed in Patuxent River, Maryland. Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, Maryland, is the contracting activity.

GCR-MDI II LLC, Pinehurst, North Carolina, is awarded an \$8,396,190 firm-fixed-price IDIQ contract for multi-function support services at Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, Georgia. This contract provides for custodial, pest control, integrated solid waste management, grounds maintenance and landscaping, and pavement clearance. Work will be performed at Kings Bay, Georgia. This contract was competitively procured via the SAM.gov website, with six offers received. Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, Southeast, Jacksonville, Florida, is the contracting activity (N69450-24-D-0042).

Flexible Concepts Inc., Elkhart, Indiana, is awarded an \$8,211,416 firm-fixed-price contract for the procurement of 7,588 MK706 Mod 0 Shipping Containers. This contract was competitively procured via SAM.gov website with two offers received. The Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Division, Indian Head, Maryland, is the contracting activity (N00174-24-C-0010).

Metson Marine Services Inc., Ventura, California, is awarded a \$7,642,846 modification (P00005) to a previously awarded cost-plus-fixed-fee contract (N0042123C0032). This modification exercises options to provide research, development, maintenance, operation, support of facilities and systems, and equipment to meet the engineering development testing and fleet training mission of the Atlantic Targets and Marine Operation Key West

detachment of Atlantic Ranges and Targets. Work will be performed in Key West, Florida (90%); Mayport, Florida (5%); Norfolk, Virginia (3%); and Patuxent River, Maryland (2%). Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division, Patuxent River, Maryland, is the contracting activity.

Treadwell Corp., Thomaston, Connecticut, was awarded a \$41,391,261 firm-fixed-price IDIQ contract for a first article unit and a quantity of up to 25 Low Pressure Electrolyzer production units for submarine life support service. This contract was competitively procured via the System for Award Management, with one offer received. Naval Surface Warfare Center, Philadelphia Division, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is the contract activity (N64498-24-D-0006). (Awarded Aug. 26, 2024)

Sedna Digital Solutions LLC, Manassas, Virginia, is awarded a \$11,772,339 cost-plus-incentive-fee modification to previously awarded contract (N00024-23-C-6132) to exercise an option for Navy engineering design and development. The Naval Sea Systems Command, Washington, D.C., is the contracting activity.

B&D Electric Inc., Shoals, Indiana, is awarded a \$45,000,000 firm-fixed-price IDIQ contract for electrical services at Naval Support Activity, Crane. Work will be performed at Crane, Indiana; and Sullivan, Indiana. This contract was competitively procured via SAM.gov, with two offers received. The Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, Mid-Atlantic, Public Works Department Crane, Crane, Ind. is the contracting activity (N40085-24-D-0091).

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FGS-GRW MP LLC, Fort Walton Beach, Florida (W91278-24-D-0003); **Seaside Engineering & Surveying LLC**, Baker, Florida (W91278-24-D-0004); **Survtech Solutions Inc.**, Tampa, Florida (W91278-24-D-0005); and **Whidden Surveying & Mapping Inc.**, Royal Palm Beach, Florida (W91278-24-D-0006); are the small

businesses among the awardees that will compete for each order of the \$49,000,000 firm-fixed-price contract for architect-engineering services. Bids were solicited via the internet with 22 received. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile, Alabama, is the contracting activity.

AeroVironment Inc., Simi Valley, California, was awarded a \$990,000,000 hybrid (cost-plus-fixed-fee and firm-fixed-price) contract to provide an organic, stand-off capability to dismounted infantry formations capable of destroying tanks, light armored vehicles, hardened targets, defilade and personnel targets. Bids were solicited via the internet with one received. Army Contracting Command, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, is the contracting activity (W91CRB-24-D-0011).

DMS Contracting, Mascoutah, Illinois, was awarded a \$24,000,000 firm-fixed-price contract for facilities construction, maintenance and repair. Bids were solicited via the internet with nine received. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis, Missouri, is the contracting activity (W912P9-24-D-0011).

Modular Container Systems Inc., Lavonia, Georgia, was awarded an \$11,163,880 fixed price with economic price adjustment contract for MK 3 Mod 0 and MK 12 Mod 1 pallets. Bids were solicited via the internet with two received. Army Contracting Command, Rock Island, Illinois, is the contracting activity (W519TC-24-D-0023).

P&S Construction Inc., Westford, Massachusetts, was awarded a \$12,557,700 firm-fixed-price contract to replace a building wing. Bids were solicited via the internet with six received. Work will be performed in Natick, Massachusetts. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Concord, Massachusetts, is the contracting activity (W912WJ-24-C-0013).

Sedona-Nasco JV2 LLC, Las Cruces, New Mexico, was awarded a \$45,000,000 firm-fixed-price contract for restoration and modernization at Joint Base San Antonio and Corpus Christi Army Depot.

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VA: \$10,260,472 (339113)

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HHS: \$12,200 (518210)

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VA: \$56,354 (312112)

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DOI: \$94,500 (541620)

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DOJ: \$249,687 (541512)

NEXOLVE HOLDING CO LLC
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NASA: \$138,557 (541715)

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DHS: \$491,518 (541512)

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DOJ: \$15,286 (333112)

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NSF: \$236,761 (561210)

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COMM: \$82,034 (334516)
COMM: \$90,211 (334519)

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HHS: \$497,077 (423450)
VA: \$13,649 (339112)
VA: \$13,989 (339112)
VA: \$14,376 (339113)
VA: \$24,150 (334510)
VA: \$13,649 (339112)
VA: \$10,900 (339113)

GEORGE A ISRAEL JR INC
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VA: \$19,434 (333914)

GERMFREE LABORATORIES LLC
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USDA: \$12,900 (332311)

GHOST RX INC
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VA: \$157,828 (561320)

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DOJ: \$18,000 (561320)

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GSA: \$19,007 (236220)
GSA: \$37,439 (236220)

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DOJ: \$605,700 (336411)

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AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT & FOR-
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Athol ID 83801
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USDA: \$102,861 (115310)

ARCHER MOUNTAIN ENTERPRISES
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Troy ID 83871
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USDA: \$56,000 (115310)

Small Business Awards

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USDA: \$14,111 (333310)

BACKCOUNTRY RESCUE LLC
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Boise ID 83704
Tel: 509-844-6219
USDA: \$202,780 (621399)
USDA: \$120,829 (621399)

BAZCO HOLDINGS LLC
1310 S Vista Ave Ste 28
Boise ID 83705
Tel: 509-998-5923
USDA: \$103,600 (532412)

BILLS SEWER & DRAIN SERVICE INC
308 S 800 E
Jerome ID 83338
Tel: 208-280-2015
USDA: \$37,950 (562991)

BIOMARK LLC
705 S 8th Street
Boise ID 83702
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DOI: \$23,291 (334511)
DOI: \$70,796 (334511)

BLUE MOUNTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL
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Idaho Falls ID 83401
Tel: 208-390-8266
USDA: \$46,742 (115310)

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Meridian ID 83646
Tel: 208-375-0300
VA: \$21,663 (562910)

BONNALIE LOGGING LLC
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Lewiston ID 83501
Tel: 208-791-4004
USDA: \$139,976 (115310)

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PRISES INC
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GSA: \$111,700 (236220)
GSA: \$112,211 (236220)

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VA: \$17,635 (339113)

BROCK CONSTRUCTION INC
2225 Great Lakes Drive #417
Dyer IN 46311
Tel: 708-243-8695
GSA: \$288,300 (236220)
GSA: \$375,000 (236220)
GSA: \$30,720 (236220)
GSA: \$10,210 (236220)
GSA: \$33,347 (236220)

CHARLOTTE ENGINEERS-GUIDON
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COMMERCIAL FACILITIES MANAGE-
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GSA: \$33,851 (238210)
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USDA: \$119,781 (541330)
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VA: \$385,000 (327991)

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Washington Insider

Protests delay OASIS Plus Small Biz awards

The GSA on Aug. 13 said it is delaying the awards of its OASIS+ Small Business GWAC contract due to protests.

The agency named 1,383 apparent small business awardees on July 30. Eleven protests followed.

Awards were scheduled to be made on Aug. 12, but the GSA has paused awards until the protests are

3 new Vet Biz Centers

The SBA on Sept. 1 awarded \$1 million in grants to open three new Veterans Business Outreach Centers in Ohio, Pennsylvania and Puerto Rico.

The new centers are:

--ECDI, Columbus, OH;
--Pennsylvania State U., University Park, PA; and
--COFECC, San Juan, PR.

More information: <https://tinyurl.com/yc73rrze>

resolved.

The protesters are Q2 Impact, Jefferson Consulting Group LLC, AtVentures LLC, Compel JV LLC, SOFact Solutions LLC; Johnson Technology Systems Inc., Explore Digits Inc., Mission Solaiya JV LLC, Athena Technology Group Inc., Venergy Group LLC, and Wits Solutions Inc., according to a report by *Washington Technology* (<https://tinyurl.com/ypxt7yv9>).

GSA's statement added: "We hope to resolve the protests quickly and will share updates as soon as we are able." Read more at <https://tinyurl.com/yyfx2xrf>.

GSA announces TDR option for 67 more SINS

The GSA on July 22 announced that Refresh 22 of the Multiple Award Schedule solicitation and the associated mass modification to existing contracts would take place in August 2024 (<https://tinyurl.com/5bc6hvvvd>).

FTC ban is blocked

A Texas federal judge has made an anticipated final order blocking the FTC's ban on non-competition agreements that was scheduled to go into effect on Sept. 4.

The FTC's restrictions will not go into effect, and businesses will not need to comply with the Non-Compete Ban for the time being, according to a PilieroMazza PLLC client alert.

Non-competition agreements are still permissible as long as they are compliant with state laws, the alert added. Read more at <https://tinyurl.com/bdevfs7f>.

Refresh 22 includes Transactional Data Reporting expansion to 67 additional SINS. "This TDR expansion is another positive step forward for GSA," commented the CGP (<https://tinyurl.com/yeztz8xh>).

SBA's major proposed rule for HUBZones, 8(a)

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tial owner of an 8(a) firm may only own 10% or less in early stages and 20% or less in late stages of the 8(a)'s participation. The new rule would raise those limits to 20% and 30%, respectively.

--Right of First Refusal: The new rule proposes to allow 8(a) companies to offer the right of first refusal to minority-share owners. Previously, it was not allowed to do so.

--Professional Licensing: Currently, SBA requires 8(a) applicants hold all necessary licenses to perform in certain industries, such as accounting, engineering and electrical work. Under the new rule, the applicants no longer need to hold such licenses. The applicants need to show they can perform contracts in such industries with appropriate support.

--Reapplication: Currently, an 8(a) applicant that has failed to be accepted three times within 18 months must wait 12 months to apply again. SBA said it

would eliminate that requirement.

--Financial Statements: Under current law, 8(a) companies with gross annual receipts of \$10 million or more generally must provide SBA with audited annual financial statements by a licensed independent public accountant. The new rule raises that threshold to \$20 million to ease the burden on small firms.

Additional Provisions

--Joint Venture Past Performance: Section 125.8(e) of the proposed rule covers how agencies evaluate the past performance of joint ventures. For SBA mentor-protégé joint ventures, it states that an agency may not require the protégé to individually meet the same evaluation or responsibility criteria as that of other offerors generally. The goal is to recognize that proteges, while less experienced, will gain experience while performing the contract with their mentor.

--Affiliation: SBA proposed to amend its rules on affiliation and/or control in

its small business size regulations and in its 8(a), WOSB and VetCert programs. The proposed rule would add language from the VetCert rules to the 8(a) and WOSB program rules to clarify that there are circumstances in which a minority shareholder may have some decision-making authority without a finding of affiliation.

--Recertification: The proposed rule would remove the program-specific recertification requirements contained separately in SBA's size requirements and its 8(a), HUBZone, WOSB, and VetCert program rules, and move them to a new section that would cover all size and status recertification requirements. "This should ensure that the size and status requirements will be uniformly applied," the SBA notice stated.

More information:

Federal Register notice
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