PPD ALERT



FedBizOpps FAC-97-26

The following rule was published on May 16, 2001, as a Federal Acquisition Circular in the Federal Register. This rule designates FedBizOpps as the Governmentwide Point of Entry for proposed procurement transactions, and gives agencies until October 1, 2001, to complete transition to, or integration with FedBizOpps. Starting October 1, 2001, FedBizOpps must be used to provide access to public notices, associated solicitations, and amendments for procurement actions over \$25,000 which until now were published exclusively in the Commerce Business Daily (CBD). In addition, agencies must also direct FedBizOpps to forward the information to the CBD until December 31, 2001. Beginning January 1, 2002, publication in the CBD will no longer be required.

REE Transition to FedBizOpps

All REE purchasing/contracting offices shall transition to FedBizOpps in 3 phases. These phases are as follows:

PHASE I - Today through September 30, 2001

- Solicitations and other types of notices <u>may be</u> posted on FedBizOpps. This is encouraged
 to allow users to become familiar with the new system and prepare them for full
 implementation on October 1, 2001.
- Direct FedBizOpps to forward required notices (procurement actions over \$25,000) to the CBD.

REE agencies are scheduled to begin using FedBizOpps no later than August 1, 2001

PHASE II - October 1, 2001, through December 31, 2001

- Required notices and solicitations <u>must be</u> posted to FedBizOpps.
- Required notices <u>must be</u> directed via FedBizOpps to the CBD.

PHASE III - January 1, 2002

- Required notices and solicitations <u>must be</u> posted to FedBizOpps.
- Duplicate notice in the CBD will no longer be required.

A policy memorandum providing additional procedures and guidance for the use of FedBizOpps by REE agencies should be completed by late Summer 2001.

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