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Welcome to the Finance Edition of *MarkeTips*!

Today, Federal managers are increasingly faced with legislative and management requirements to improve financial management and program performance. Various statutory requirements such as: the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA); the Government Management Reform Act (GMRA); the Chief Financial Officers (CFO) Act; the Inspector General (IG) Act; the Debt Collection Improvement Act; and components of the Travel and Transportation Reform Act, have created a need for Federal agencies to effectively gather, analyze and base decisions on more financial data than ever before while simultaneously dealing with decreased staff levels.

GSA recognizes these challenges faced by today's Federal community and is committed to providing Federal managers easy access to best-value products and services through the Multiple Award Schedules (MAS) program.

You can use the MAS contracts to meet your needs by placing a task order customized for your specific requirements. The result will be reduced procurement lead-times; cost savings; qualified contractors; credit towards your agencies' socio-economic goals; and easy ordering while ensuring that your agency complies with the Competition in Contracting Act (CICA).

Our Financial and Business Solutions (FABS) schedule can assist agencies in compiling the wealth of financial information required to meet the various statutory requirements. The firms under the FABS schedule offer a wide range of auditing, financial management, financial asset and business information services. By giving your agency direct access to a wide range of financial firms, ranging from industry leaders to specialized small businesses, you can realize the ultimate benefit: the ability to focus on your core missions.

When you need resources to tackle your financial challenges, turn to the FABS schedule for choice, flexibility, ease-of-use and access to quality financial firms that can address the needs of the Federal financial community.

To learn more about how GSA and the FABS Schedule can help you accomplish your mission, see the article entitled *GSA's Financial & Business Solutions*.

Best regards,



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