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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY. (POLICY AND PROCUREMENT), ASA(ALT) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT), ASN(RDA) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (CONTRACTING), SAF/AQC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ACQUISITION, TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPLY DIRECTORATE (DLA)

SUBJECT: Class Deviation - Extension of 8(a) Partnership Agreement Between the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Department of Defense

The Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) 219.800(a) describes the Partnership Agreement between the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Department of Defense (DoD), which provides for streamlined 8(a) contracting procedures by allowing DoD Contracting Officers to award 8(a) contracts directly to 8(a) Program participants. The Agreement is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2006, and has been extended through December 1, 2006, by the attached SBA memorandum. DFARS, Subpart 219.8, is in the process of being amended to reflect the extension. Until this extension is incorporated into the DFARS, contracting officers are authorized to deviate from the DFARS 219.800(a) September 30, 2006, expiration date. This class deviation remains in effect until incorporated into the DFARS.

My point of contact for the subject agreement is Ms. Susan Pollack, 703-697-8336, susan.pollack@osd.mil.

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Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy

Attachment:





U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20416

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Mr. Frank M. Ramos Director Office of Small Business Programs U.S. Department of Defense 201 12th Street South, Suite 406 Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Mr. Ramos:

This amendment is issued pursuant to the Partnership Agreement (PA) between your agency and the U.S. Small Business Administration. The purpose of this amendment is to extend the term of the PA. All other terms and conditions of the PA remain unchanged.

The expiration date is hereby extended until December 1, 2006 or until the Partnership Agreement is accepted by both agencies.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Darnell Guidry at 202-205-6381.

Sincerely,

Associate Administrator

Office of Business Development