PPD ALERT

Central Contractor Registration: A Requirement for Contract Award



This ALERT directs your attention to a proposed change in the Federal Acquisition Regulation which will require contractor registration in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database before any contract can be awarded. Contractor registration will be required prior to the award of any contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, blanket purchase agreement, modification of any existing contract to extend performance, or assignment of contract payments to a third party. Contractors will be required to maintain accurate information for the duration of the contract and through final payment. Failure to register or maintain accuracy in the CCR database will result in the rejection of the bid/offer or suspension of future contract payments. Contracting Officers will be required to ensure, before contract award or modification, that prospective awardees have been registered.

The CCR database is maintained by the Department of Defense to collect, validate, and maintain contractor business information. CCR will ultimately be incorporated into the Business Partner Network to more efficiently meet the requirements of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996.

A copy of the proposed change can be viewed on the CCR website at <u>http://www.ccr.gov</u> or Federal Register, Vol. 68, No. 64, pgs. 16366-16371, April 3, 2003.

Additional information will be provided prior to implementation of proposed rule.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The rule is expected to become effective on October 1, 2003.

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