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**OMB Announces Results of New  
2007 Contracting Workforce Competencies Survey**

WASHINGTON, DC – Today the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) released the results of the 2007 contracting workforce competency survey, the first-ever baseline analysis of the proficiency levels of the civilian agency contracting workforce.

The survey by OMB’s Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) and the Federal Acquisition Institute (FAI) indicates that the civilian agency contracting professionals are generally operating at appropriate levels, but require training in such areas as project management, requirements definition, performance-based acquisition, and negotiation.

“This survey is a comprehensive review of our workforce and will guide strategic development and succession planning efforts. Agencies have a unique opportunity to identify specific organizational competency gaps and are using this information to develop plans to close those gaps,” said Paul Denett, Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy in the Office of Management and Budget.

OFPP will continue to work with agencies, the Federal Chief Acquisition Officers Council and other stakeholders to ensure coverage of essential competency gaps, as well as improve upon strengths identified by the study.

The survey was conducted April-May 2007 among civilian agency contracting professionals. 5,400 respondents participated. The survey questions and a summary of the survey responses are available on the FAI Web site on [www.fai.gov](http://www.fai.gov).

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