



EPA	CURRENT STATUS (As of July 25, 2007)		PROGRESS (As of July 25, 2007)		COMMENTS
<p><b>Initiative</b></p> <p><b>SMALL BUSINESS PROCUREMENT</b></p> <p><b>Agency Lead:</b> Jeannette L. Brown Director, EPA OSDBU</p>	  Red	<p><b>GREEN STANDARDS</b></p> <p>___ Meets the small business goal, at least 3 socio-economic goals, and shows improvement in the remaining 1 goal.</p> <p>__ Meets all Yellow standards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>___ Meets the small business goals, at least 2 additional socio-economic goals, and improves in at least one of the unmet goals. Credit can also be given for meeting 4 goals, regardless of which ones they are.</li> <li>_X_ Has implemented a strategy to increase the number of competitively awarded contracts to small businesses.</li> <li>_X_ Has demonstrated top-level Agency commitment to small business contracting.</li> <li>_X_ Has a comprehensive small business program that includes written policies and procedures focused on improving the competitive environment and increasing small business participation in the procurement process.</li> <li>_X_ Has small business goal achievement as a rating element for acquisition personnel.</li> <li>_X_ Works cooperatively with SBA on outreach and targeting initiatives.</li> <li>_X_ Meets deadlines for all required strategic plans and annual reports due to SBA.</li> <li>_X_ Has a process to ensure small business data is accurately reported in FPDS-NG.</li> <li>_X_ Enforces small business subcontracting plans and meets subcontracting goals.</li> </ol>	  Yellow	<p><u>Actions taken this quarter:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The agency <u>has not</u> met its small business goal, 1 additional socio-economic goal, and improved in at least one of its unmet goals. (2 goals must be met to receive credit)</li> <li>The agency has implemented an aggressive strategy to increase the number of competitively awarded contracted to small businesses.</li> <li>The agency shows top-level agency commitment to small business contracting.</li> <li>The agency has a comprehensive and active small business plan that is documented and regularly updated.</li> <li>The agency has built-in goal achievement requirements in their executive management's performance to ensure increased accountability.</li> <li>The agency's OSDBU coordinates with SBA in 8(a) orientation and match-making events to further outreach and marketing initiatives.</li> <li>The agency submitted all plans and reports by the required deadlines.</li> <li>The agency regularly verifies its small business data in FPDS-NG for accuracy. The agency also uses internal and external reports as a tool to rectify discrepancies found in the FPDS-NG system.</li> <li>The agency does have a system in place to enforce small business subcontracting plans and goal expectations.</li> </ol>	<p>EPA did not meet its WOB, HUBZone, or SDVO goals. EPA did exceed its small business goal.</p>