

APD ALERT



Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS)

Background

The Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS) is designed to enhance the Government's ability to evaluate the business ethics and quality of prospective contractors competing for Federal contracts and to protect taxpayers from doing business with contractors that are not responsible sources. The FAPIIS search module on Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS) allows contracting officials to review past performance evaluations; civil, criminal, and administrative proceedings; suspension and debarments; non-responsibility or recipient not-qualified determinations; terminations for default, cause, or material failure to comply; defective pricing determinations; and administrative agreements issued in lieu of suspensions or debarments.

Contracting Officer Responsibilities

In accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 9.104-6, Contracting Officers (COs) shall review and consider the information in FAPIIS in connection with contracts over the simplified acquisition threshold for the purpose of making a responsibility determination. The CO is required to document the contract file to explain how the information in FAPIIS was considered in any responsibility determination, and notify, prior to proceeding with award, the agency official responsible for initiating debarment or suspension, if information is identified in FAPIIS that appears appropriate for that official's consideration.

COs must give the offerors the opportunity to provide additional information that demonstrates their responsibility before the CO makes a non-responsibility determination based on relevant information from FAPIIS if such information regards the following: criminal, civil, or administrative proceedings in connection with award of a Government contract, terminations for default or cause, or determinations of non-responsibility because the contractor doesn't have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics, or comparable information relating to a grant.

Applicable FAR Clauses

- 52.209-5, Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Applicable in solicitations where the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold)
- 52.209-7, Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Applicable in solicitations where the resultant contract value is expected to exceed \$500,000)
- 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Applicable in solicitations where the resultant contract value is expected to exceed \$500,000 and in contracts in which the offeror checked “has” in paragraph (b) of the provision at [52.209-7](#))

Training

A video trailer summarizing FAPIIS can be located at:

[HTTP://www.fai.gov/FAPIIS/trailer/module.htm](http://www.fai.gov/FAPIIS/trailer/module.htm) and the FAPIIS user manual at http://www.cpars.csd.disa.mil/cparsfiles/pdfs/FAPIIS_User_Manual.pdf.

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