

## **National Business Emergency Operations Center Membership Agreement**

The National Business Emergency Operations Center (NBEOC) serves as the Federal Emergency Management Agency's clearinghouse for information sharing between public and private sector stakeholders regarding emergency management matters in support of Emergency Support Function (ESF) #15 of the National Response Framework (NRF). The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is committed to a discrimination-free public- and private-sector disaster coordination process and expects private stakeholders to comply with federal laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, or disability by recipients of federal funds. On behalf of myself and/or the company/organization/association/entity named below (hereinafter "Entity"), I hereby acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions for participation as a virtual member of the NBEOC. I understand that violation of any the following terms and conditions will result in the immediate termination of Entity's participation in the NBEOC.

- Entity acknowledges that participation in the NBEOC does not constitute an endorsement by FEMA, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), or the U.S. Government of Entity's business, products, or services. Entity agrees to not make reference to its participation in the NBEOC for any commercial, advertising, or marketing purpose. Entity further agrees that it will not represent to the public, either explicitly or implicitly, that its activities, products, or services are sanctioned or endorsed by FEMA, DHS, or the U.S. Government due to its participation in the NBEOC.
- Entity acknowledges and agrees that its participation in the NBEOC does not create a business relationship with FEMA, DHS, or the U.S. Government. Nothing in this agreement creates an agency, partnership, or joint venture between Entity and FEMA, DHS, or the U.S. Government.
- Entity acknowledges and agrees that it is not authorized to use the DHS/FEMA seal in any manner without prior written approval from DHS. Use of the seal is controlled by the DHS Office of Public Affairs through DHS Management Directive No. 0030.
   Written Permission is required to use the DHS/FEMA seal.
- Entity acknowledges that participation in the NBEOC is conditioned on the
  understanding that any association arising as a result of Entity's participation will not
  offend the integrity or propriety of FEMA, DHS, or the U.S. Government. FEMA will
  exercise its sole discretion in making this determination and may consider factors such as
  significant criminal or civil investigations, fines, or adjudications of guilt.
- Entity certifies that its business is accessible to the general public with no restrictions, e.g., age restrictions, to enter.
- Entity acknowledges that it has not been proposed for debarment or suspension under federal procurement or nonprocurement rules and that it does not appear on the List of Parties Excluded at <a href="https://www.epls.gov/">https://www.epls.gov/</a>.

- Entity acknowledges that certain government information may not be disclosed or distributed through the NBEOC. This information includes but is not limited to sensitive procurement information (such as source selection information), classified information, controlled unclassified information, pre-decisional or privileged information, and information otherwise protected from release by law, regulation, or policy. Additionally, no information collected, maintained, or distributed by the NBEOC may contain proprietary business information or personally identifiable information (except for those information elements prescribed under DHS/ALL-002 Department of Homeland Security Mailing and Other Lists System (November 25, 2008, 73 FR 71659)). To the extent FEMA needs information regarding the availability of commodities that would only be provided under contract, the requirement will be turned over to FEMA's Office of the Chief Procurement Officer. The NBEOC will not be used to provide a competitive advantage to any entity.
- Entity acknowledges that its participation in the NBEOC is voluntary and agrees to waive any claim for compensation. Entity further agrees that it will bear its own costs associated with participation in the NBEOC.
- Entity acknowledges that its participation in the NBEOC may be terminated by FEMA at any time for any reason.
- Entity acknowledges that FEMA, DHS, and/or the U.S. Government will not grant immunity or protection from the law relating to possible criminal and administrative violations as a result of participation in the NBEOC.
- Nothing in this agreement is intended to conflict with current law or regulation. If a term of this agreement is inconsistent with such authority, then the term is declared to be invalid, but the remaining terms and conditions are to remain in full force and effect.
- This agreement is an internal arrangement between FEMA and Entity and does not create or confer any right or benefit on any other person or party, private or public.

Entity Name:	
The NBEOC Point of Contact for Entity is:	
Name	
Title	
Telephone Number	
E-mail	

I, the undersigned, agree on behalf of Entity to the above terms and conditions for participation as a virtual member in the NBEOC.

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## PRIVACY ACT NOTICE AND CONSENT

**AUTHORITY:** FEMA has the authority to compile an NBEOC contact list pursuant to 6 U.S.C. § 313(b)(2)(B) and maintain a System of Records covered under the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. § 552b) pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 301 and 44 U.S.C. § 3101.

**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S):** This information is being collected for the primary purpose of maintaining a private sector stakeholder roster and mailing list for information dissemination, outreach, and coordination.

**ROUTINE USE(S):** The information provided above is protected under the Privacy Act. It will only be shared as necessary and authorized by the routine uses published in DHS/ALL-002 Department of Homeland Security Mailing and Other Lists System 73 Fed. Reg. 71659 (November 25, 2008). The information provided to FEMA regarding you and your entity may be subject to release under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552).

I,	, born on	in	and currently	
residing at	,authorize the Department of Homeland Security/Federal			
Emergency Manag	gement Agency to disclose the	e above-listed NBEOC	contact information as	
well as any addition	onal information that I submit	to FEMA for situationa	al awareness purposes to	
any and all NBEO	C members.			
-	nalty of perjury under the law			
§1746) that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.				
Signature			Date	