

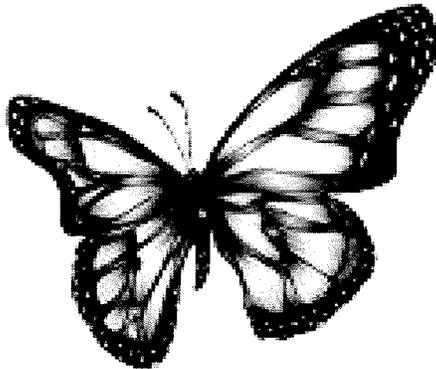


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Spring is coming!!!!

### Acquisition Thresholds are

### *Anticipated to Rise.*

(Per Set-Aside Alert, Vol. 18, No. 4, Feb 19, 2010)

Every five years the law requires that inflation adjustments be reviewed.

The Federal Acquisition Regulation council is **PROPOSING** inflation adjustments for the following acquisition-related thresholds:

1. **PROPOSED:** The simplified acquisition threshold will be raised from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

2. **PROPOSED:** The threshold requiring subcontracting plans will be raised from \$550,000 to \$650,000, with the construction threshold being increased from \$1million to \$1.5 million.
3. **PROPOSED:** The Cost and Pricing data threshold will be raised from \$650,000 to \$700,000.
4. **PROPOSED:** The commercial items test program ceiling will be raised from \$5.5 million to \$6.5 million.
5. The FedBizOpps pre-award and post-award notices remain at \$25,000 and the micro-purchase threshold will remain at \$3,000.

### The Federal Service Desk (FSD)

The FSD ([www.fsd.gov](http://www.fsd.gov) or 1 866 606-8220) is a new source of help for questions about:

- Central Contractor Registration (CCR) which according to the FAR 4.11, a prospective supplier must be registered in CCR prior to the award

of a federal government contract; basic ordering agreement or blanket purchase agreement.

It is also recommended by the BSA Small Business Office that all BSA small business suppliers are registered in the CCR – Dynamic Small Business Search database at: [http://dsbs.sba.gov/dsbs/search/dsp\\_dsbs.cfm](http://dsbs.sba.gov/dsbs/search/dsp_dsbs.cfm)

- Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS) which was established to create higher visibility and make it easier to collect and share data gathered on Federal subcontracting accomplishments. Reporting in this system is a requirement on all BSA contracts over \$550K (soon to be \$650K), that have subcontracting plans.
- Federal Business Opportunities (FBO or FedBizOpps) which is a web-based portal that allows suppliers to review Federal procurement opportunities over \$25,000.
- Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) which disseminates information on parties that are excluded from receiving Federal contracts, certain subcontracts, and certain Federal financial and nonfinancial assistance and benefits.
- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) which provides a full listing of all Federal programs available to State and local governments; federally-recognized Indian tribal governments; Territories of the United States; domestic, public, quasi- public, and private profit and nonprofit organizations and institutions; specialized groups; and individuals.

**PPM Outstanding Efforts go to:**

**Phil Gardner for a FANTASTIC JOB:**

Awarding a \$1M contract to G&M Earth Moving - a small woman-owned business.

**Jody Mitchell for a FANTASTIC JOB:**

An upcoming \$4M EM award to P.W. Grosser - a small business.

Let me know about any awards you make that are either high dollar awards to small businesses OR any SDB and/or SDVOB awards and I will highlight you in the next SmallBiz Newsletter.

**FY10 - BSA's DOE Small Business Goals VS Actuals**

**FY10 First Quarter Stats**

Category	Goal	Actuals*	Actuals**
		w/ \$86 M	w/o \$86 M
SB	50.20%	19.76%	59.42%
SDB	6.30%	1.92%	
WOB	8.00%	3.45%	10.38%
HUBZone	3.00%	1.08%	3.24%
VOB	3.00%	1.15%	3.44%
SDVOB	3.00%	0.36%	0.9%

\* Actuals with Torcon's award of \$86M.

\*\* Actuals without Torcon's award of \$86M.

**Great Job**

**You're a fantastic team!!!**

However, as you can see we are severely lacking in the actuals (w/o Torcon's \$86 M column) on SDB & SDVOB.

So we are asking for **YOUR** help in trying to make more awards to SDB and SDVOB suppliers in the next two quarters of FY10.

**Tell Me What You Want:**

This newsletter is written for YOU, so please tell me what you would like to see in it. What type of small business information will help you do your job better? Just ask me and I'll research it for you.

Any question's please call me on x3173 or email me at [clough@bnl.gov](mailto:clough@bnl.gov)

Thanks, Jill Clough-Johnston, SBLO  
I'm available to help you with any of the above.