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New Facebook Format
Per Set-Aside Alert 3/9/2012

Facebook’s new format known as “Timeline,” could become the initial contact point between suppliers and contracting officers.

Timeline will allow suppliers to show their history, feature sets, and how they have operated over the long term (which is important in government contacting)

To keep up with the latest Facebook government-related developments, go to:
http://www.facebook.com/government

Looking up Regulations
Regulations.gov is a site for reading and commenting on federal regulations.

The types of regulations found on this site include Rules, as well as Notices from the Federal Register – often referred to just as “Notices.” Documents such as public comments and supporting materials associated with these regulations can also be found on this site.

How do you find a regulation?
1. Search by typing a Document ID, RIN, or a Keyword in the search field on the homepage.

System for Award Management (SAM) is almost here!

The federal government has scheduled SAM to go live at end of July 2012.

That’s when there will be a mass migration to the new SAM system. It will be the consolidation of the Central Contractor Registration (CCR), Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA), Federal Register (FedReg), and the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS).

SAM is designed to reduce the number of passwords, reduce the number of government systems to enter into and/or interact with, and reduce data redundancy by sharing the data across the award lifecycle.
2. Click the “Search” button or hit “Enter.” This will trigger a site search for relevant content.

3. On the Search Results page, the documents that are related to your search will be displayed. Once you find the regulation of interest, click the title to view it. To learn more information about the document, hover over the magnifying glass icon to see a summary of its contents.

4. Optional - Use the filters on the left side of the Search Results screen to further narrow your results.

5. You may use the Browse tab to find Federal Register related documents (i.e., Notices, Proposed Rules, and Rules) by selecting the desired Category (e.g., Banking and Financial).

For more information, go to:
http://www.regulations.gov

A NEW SWI Coming
Be aware there’s a new SWI coming, entitled:

Establishment and Administration
of a Mentor-Protégé Relationship

FY12 Third Quarter results:

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To our great team,
Remember - it’s year-end, so let’s try harder to place more orders with HUB (SBA certified) and SDVOB small businesses.

Let me know if you need my help or have any questions.

Thanks, Jill Clough-Johnston, SBLO clough@bnl.gov or 631 344-3173

FANTASTIC JOB – TEAM PPM

Notification of awards to small businesses, over $300,000, that were received from:

Phil Gardner
Ravco Construction, Inc. (VC: 95740), a small, SDB, 8a business was awarded a contract valued at $1,330,000.

Let me know of any small business awards you make that are over $300,000 and I’ll highlight you in the next SmallBiz Newsletter.