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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE CUSTOMERS
AND POTENTIAL CUSTOMERS OF THE GENERAL
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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SUBJECT: Use of Small Business GWACs to Meet DOD Small Business Goals

The Office of Management and Budget has provided executive agency designation pursuant to the Clinger-Cohen Act to the General Services Administration (GSA) to award and manage Government-wide acquisition contracts (GWACs) for information technology (IT) services based solutions. Use of these contracts is not subject to the Economy Act. GSA awarded 2 contracts to assist Government agencies with meeting their small business goals. These GWACs are the Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone) GWAC and the 8(a) STARS (Streamlined Technology Acquisition Resources for Services) GWAC. These contracts are currently available for use by all DOD components to assist in meeting our Small Business goals. These contracts offer a fully compliant, streamlined method, for acquiring goods and services necessary for meeting DOD's requirements. You should consider using these vehicles and identifying their use in preparing acquisition plans to satisfy appropriate IT requirements as well as meeting small business goals.

Shortly, GSA will award a new GWAC composed of service disabled veteran owned small businesses (SDVOSB). Once awarded, this GWAC will be available for use within DOD to meet SDVOSB goals.

We recognize your commitment to meeting the small business goals while providing warfighters with the best value goods and services they need to successfully complete their mission. GSA is committed to assisting DOD in meeting these goals as well. Use of the GWACs noted above will provide you with a regulatory compliant, best value solution and will allow you to expedite the process of meeting the warfighter's requirements.

If you have any questions about how to use the GSA small business GWACs you are encouraged to contact Ms. Mary Parks, at (816) 823-3960, GSA's small business GWAC Center. You may also get information by going to GSA's small business GWAC website at: http://www.gsa.gov/sbgwac.

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