

Matt Verhulst

Well, good morning or good afternoon. I am Matt Verhulst, GSA Small Business GWAC Center Contracts Division Director. Welcome to the Alliant Small Business status update. We appreciate you joining us today. The objective of the call today is to present a brief status check on the Alliant Small Business evaluations. Before we begin I'd just like to point out that neither I, nor the speaker that I will introduce in a moment, are the source selection authority or the procuring contracting officer for Alliant Small Business. We're here to share information with you though. Please be aware that nothing said today is intended to change the solicitation. This, this conference call, is not going to be a forum for entertaining questions. So, the GSA speakers that will be visiting with you today are not going to be answering any questions at this point in time and that's important because as you may recall, we are intending to award these contracts under Alliant Small Business without discussions, and we are not intending to accept any proposal revisions.

At this point in time it is my pleasure to introduce to you, Mary Powers-King. Mary Powers-King recently joined GSA as the Director of GWAC and Information Technology (IT) Schedule Programs in Integrated Technology Services, which is a major component of the new Federal Acquisition Service. Mary has over 25 years of experience managing information technology programs in Federal and local government as well as private industry. She comes to GSA from the U.S. Department of Transportation where she spent 28 years. Although most of that time was with the Federal Aviation Administration, she most recently was the Director of Information Technology and Deputy CIO at the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. Mary.

Mary Powers-King

Thank you Matt for the introduction. Good morning or afternoon everyone, depending on your time zone, and thank you for taking the time to join us briefly today to discuss Alliant Small Business. It's actually been over a year since we formally started down the road on the Alliant Small Business procurement and in that period of time a great deal of work has been accomplished by all of us. At GSA we're making every attempt to listen to people who provide us with input on improvements and to incorporate lessons learned from our prior experiences on the acquisition process. In light of that, we wanted to take an opportunity today to take just a few minutes to thank all of you for the time and resources you've invested and to let you know that we understand and appreciate all of the hard work that goes into a procurement like Alliant Small Business. This is a highly competitive procurement by design, and we expected to afford some new business opportunities to the most highly qualified offerors. We were pleased that there was a significant response to the RFP and that response, of course, shaped our evaluation timeline. As you know, the RFP stated we would look to award approximately 35 to 40 contracts, but 40 was not a floor or a hard cap. I remind you that the number of awards depends on the quality of the offerors received and our objective is to award to the very best. Also although Alliant and Alliant Small Business are similar, Alliant Small Business has been evaluated independently and has been appropriately influenced by small

business rules and regulations. The primary purpose of this teleconference today however is to advise you that selections are being made on schedule, a schedule that has been posted on the Alliant Small Business website. Additional information will continue to be posted on that sight at [www.gsa.gov/alliantsb](http://www.gsa.gov/alliantsb). We've adhered to our schedule and as a result the selectees will be posted on FedBizOpps today and that website is [www.fedbizopps.gov](http://www.fedbizopps.gov), and I'll repeat that, [www.fedbizops.gov](http://www.fedbizops.gov). Secondly, we also want to make sure that you are aware that after selections are announced there will be a window of opportunity that will be provided where you can request a pre-award debriefing per the Federal Acquisition Regulations. Again, I want to take this opportunity to thank you all very much for the investment of time, resources, and hard work that went into this procurement. We greatly appreciate the part you played to support our expectations that Alliant Small Business will be a tremendously successful program. I also want to encourage the selected firms that are being announced today to team with other businesses as appropriate. And now I'll turn it back over to Matt for some closing comments.

Matt Verhulst

Thank you Mary. I'd like to let everyone know that barring any unforeseen difficulties, we plan to post a link to the recording from this teleconference on the Alliant Small Business website which has been mentioned to you today, but is [www.gsa.gov/alliantsb](http://www.gsa.gov/alliantsb), and that should be available there approximately 12/21 this year. As has been the case, the Alliant Small Business email address is [sbgwac@gsa.gov](mailto:sbgwac@gsa.gov) that is: sierra, bravo, golf, whiskey, alpha, charlie @gsa.gov. Should you wish to reach the contracting officer, that is a handy email address to use. Thank you for your participation on the call today. As Mary said, you will be hearing more about Alliant SB very soon and should monitor FedBizOpps closely. This ends the conference call. Operator if you will close the line.