MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Awardee Search in FAPIIS and EPLS

By the attached memorandum dated June 20, 2011, the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy (DPAP) reiterated the FAR requirements to review information in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS) and the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) when making a responsibility determination for award of a contract to a prospective contractor. DPAP highlighted that a recent review by the Inspector General’s office found that awards were made to entities listed in EPLS.

FAR 9.104-6 requires contracting officers to consider all information in FAPIIS when making a responsibility determination for award of any contract in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold. Similarly, FAR 9.405 requires an initial review of the EPLS after the opening of bids or receipt of proposals, and a subsequent review immediately prior to award, to ensure that no award is made to a listed contractor. DPAP noted that the EPLS contains information on individuals who are suspended, proposed for debarment, or debarred, that is not available in FAPIIS. Accordingly, it is requested that you remind contracting officers under your cognizance that they must review the data in both FAPIIS and the EPLS when considering an individual or entity for award of a contract.

My point of contact for this matter is Mr. Clarence Belton. He can be reached at clarence.belton@navy.mil or (703) 693-4006.

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