MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Transition to the Defense Biometric Identification System

Commander Naval Installations Command (CNIC) issued the attached memorandum regarding the transition from the Naval Commercial Access Control System (NCACS) to the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS) in order to comply with various Department of Defense security and base access policies.

In anticipation of contractor inquiries, you should be aware that Federal Circuit Court of Appeals (see Conner Bros. Constr. Co. v. Geren, 550 F.3d 1368 (Fed. Cir. 2008)) has ruled that changed entry procedures are a sovereign act of the Government for which no monetary compensation is due to contractors. The Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals (ASBCA) has implemented this decision to deny contractor’s monetary compensation for increased time spent by contractor employees gaining access to the base (see Appeals of – M.E.S., Inc. (ASBCA No. 56350), February 22, 2012).

Any questions regarding the application of these case holdings to a particular contract should be submitted to your Activity’s counsel with a courtesy copy to RDAJ&As.fct@navy.mil. Any other questions not able to be answered within your Activity should be submitted using Policy@navy.mil.

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MEMORANDUM

From: Commander, Navy Installations Command
To: Navy Commercial Access Control System Users

Subj: TRANSITION TO THE DEFENSE BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

1. On 17 April 2017, the Navy commenced a transition from the Navy Commercial Access Control System (NCACS) to the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS) credentialing for contractors, vendors, and suppliers requiring access to Navy Installations in the Continental United States, Hawaii, and Guam. This transition is required to comply with various Department of Defense security and base access policies.

2. Individuals currently using an NCACS credential for Installation access are required to switch to a DBIDS credential no later than 14 August 2017. After 14 August 2017, the NCACS credential will no longer be valid for access to Navy Installations.

3. NCACS users may visit the local Navy Installation Visitor Control Center to obtain a DBIDS credential. To ensure uninterrupted Installation access, current NCACS credential holders are encouraged to shift to the DBIDS credential as soon as possible as Navy does not have the ability to extend this deadline. There are no fees incurred by the contractor, vendor, or supplier to obtain a DBIDS credential.

4. Individuals who apply for NCACS credentials during the period of 17 April through 31 May 2017 must also obtain DBIDS credentials. NCACS credentials issued after 17 April 2017 will no longer be accepted without an accompanying DBIDS credential for Navy Installation access.

5. Additional details may be found at the Commander, Navy Installations Command website at https://www.cnic.navy.mil/om/dbids.html.

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