

I-FSS-95 RE-REPRESENTATION OF SIZE STATUS FOR OPTION PERIODS (JUN 2003)

For certain requirements, the Government enters into contracts with multiple contractors for the same or similar services or products. Such contracts frequently contain options that allow the contract to be extended when it is determined to be in the best interest of the Government. Contract extensions may have an impact on the program established by the Government to assist small businesses when there is a change in the status of the Contractor during the contract term.

Prior to the time the Contracting Officer exercises an option, the Contractor will be required to re-represent business size status and 8(a) program eligibility to the Contracting Officer by completing the applicable portion of 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certification—Commercial Items, or 52.219-1, Small Business Program Representations, as applicable to this contract.

(a) When the contract did not result from a small business set-aside:

If a previously awarded small business concern re-represents itself as other than small, an acceptable subcontracting plan must be negotiated with the Contracting Officer if the value of the remainder of the contract option periods exceeds the threshold for a subcontracting plan.

(b) When the contract resulted from a small business set-aside:

If a previously awarded small business concern re-represents itself as other than small, the Contracting Officer shall be precluded from exercising the option.

(c) When the contract resulted from an 8(a) set-aside:

If a previously awarded 8(a) small business concern re-represents itself as other than 8(a), the Contracting Officer shall be precluded from exercising the option.