



# Legislative Update

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# SAM CHANGES

- Originally, all entities must “provide an original, signed notarized letter stating that you are the authorized Entity Administrator before your registration will be activated.”
- 11 June 2018 Update
  - Registration only for federal assistance opportunities (grants, loans, and other financial assistance programs) no longer need to have an approved Entity Administrator notarized letter on file before their registration is activated.
  - Effective 29 June 2018, “all non-Federal entities who create or update their registration in SAM.gov, and these entities also no longer need to have an approved Entity Administrator notarized letter on file before their registration is activated.”

# SAM CHANGES

- All users attempting to log in to SAM.gov on or after June 29, 2018 will be automatically directed to create a Login.gov user account. Current SAM.gov username and password will no longer work and users will be unable to access SAM.gov until they have created a Login.gov account. **Users need the email address and password associated with their SAM.gov account.**
- **All entities, regardless of their purpose of registration, must mail the original and signed notarized letter to the Federal Service Desk within thirty (30) days of activation or risk having their registration deactivated.**

# SAM CHALLENGES

### Learn About Registration Status

- How do I start a new registration?
- What is Draft status?
- What is Work in Progress status?
- What is Submitted status?
- What is Active status?
- What is Expired status?

### What If?

- What if my entity fails TIN validation?
- What if my entity fails CAGE Code validation?
- What if I still need help?

### What's Next?

- Find Your Registration in SAM

### SAM Status Tracker


#### Check Entity Registration Status

**Page Description**

You can quickly check an entity's registration status in SAM by entering a DUNS Number or CAGE Code. The SAM Status Tracker will show you the current status of that entity's most recent record, as well as tell you what steps are left to complete based on why they are registering.

The Fed... not... ly-searchable registration records. If you are a... on menu to view registrations or data that are... access level.

**Message from webpage**

 The service is temporarily unavailable.

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**Tracker Now**

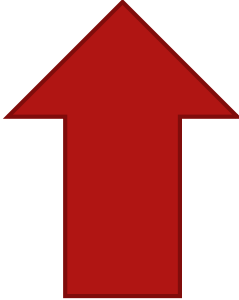
Check registration status by typing in a DUNS Number.

DUNS Number  Plus 4 (Optional)

Or, check registration status by typing in a CAGE Code.

CAGE Code

# SAM CHALLENGES – BE PREPARED

| Registration Details for Complete Record   | Registration Details for Incomplete Record  |
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| <p><b>Entity Name: AVISTA Strategies, Inc.</b><br/>DUNS Number: 078658915<br/>CAGE: 6U5S7</p> <p>Address:<br/>515 Sparkman Dr NW Ste 302<br/>Huntsville, AL 35816-3417<br/>UNITED STATES</p> <p>Purpose of Registration: All Awards<br/>Registration Status: Submitted<br/>Submission Date: 05/09/2018<br/>Address Update Required: No</p> <p><a href="#">VIEW</a></p> | <p>Your entity registration is currently in Submitted status. You will not be able to update your registration until it either becomes Active or is returned as a Work in Progress.</p> <p>If applicable, your entity's taxpayer information is sent to the IRS for validation. When that is complete, your registration is sent for CAGE Code assignment or validation.</p> <p>These external reviews can take up to ten business days. You will be notified by e-mail when the reviews are complete.</p>  |

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The System for Award Management is a required registration for all entities doing business with the federal government. It was hacked a while back and has been undergoing fixes ever since, including a notarized letter which has to be validated. Another major overhaul is scheduled for June 29. So I'm sure that many NCMA members who are managing federal contracts are encountering difficulties updating their company's registration. If you are encountering delays, especially if you have an award pending, contact your local PTAC for help. They are spearheading the efforts to get this mess corrected and they have current information on what works and what doesn't. They also encourage us to spread the word that they have access to an expedited review in urgent situations. Go to <http://www.aptac-us.org> and click your location on the map to see the list of people ready to help you. Do not pay anybody to do this for you, the PTAP is funded by DLA and local host organizations to serve government contractors with technical assistance.

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*Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence. (Robert Frost)*



# Open FAR Cases as of 6/18/2018

| Case Number | Part Number | Title   | Synopsis   | Status   |
|-------------|-------------|---|--|--|
| 2016-011    | 19, 52      | (S) Revision of Limitations on Subcontracting | Implements SBA's final rule (81 FR 34243) for section 1651 of the NDAA for FY 2013 (Pub. L. 112-239), which revised the limitations on subcontracting and the nonmanufacturer rule. Also implements SBA's regulatory clarifications concerning application of the limitations on subcontracting, nonmanufacturer rule, and size determination of joint ventures. | 06/05/2017 CAAC Legal concurrence with draft interim FAR rule. FAR and DAR staff resolving issues.     |
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“Similarly Situated”

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA)



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| 2015-002    | 2.101, 4.1801, 4.403, 52.204-16, 52.204-17, 52.204-18, 52.204-2, 53.204-1 | Requirements for DD Form 254, Contract Security Classification Specification | Updates FAR 4.403 to require the use of Wide Area Workflow for the submission of the DD Form 254, Contract Security Classification Specification. Also clarifies that a unique CAGE code is required for each location of performance listed on a DD Form 254 and that SAM registration is only required for the business location listed on the contract. | 06/18/2018 Draft proposed FAR rule from FAR analyst to CAAC Legal. CAAC Legal reviewing. |



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