



# Legislative Update

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# Topics for Conversation

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# Increased NASA Utilization of Multi-Agency Contracts and BIC Contract Solutions for Common Goods & Services

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## MEMORANDUM FOR NASA CONTRACTOR COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: Increased NASA Utilization of Multi-Agency Contracts and “Best-in-Class” Contract Solutions for Common Goods & Services

### References:

- (a) Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum M-19-13 “Category Management: Making Smarter Use of Common Contract Solutions and Practices” dated March 20, 2019, [M-19-13 \(whitehouse.gov\)](#)
- (b) OMB Memorandum M-22-03 “Advancing Equity in Federal Procurement” dated December 2, 2021, [M-22-03 \(whitehouse.gov\)](#)

Consistent with references (a) and (b), NASA is committed to buying common goods and services as an enterprise to eliminate redundancies, increase efficiencies, and deliver more value and savings for NASA’s programs and projects. This includes leveraging, to the maximum practicable extent, existing Multi-Agency Contracts (MACs), such as General Services Administrations (GSA) Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) and Best-in-Class (BIC) contract solutions, such as NASA’s Solution for Enterprise-Wide Procurement (SEWP), the GSA’s One Acquisition Solution for Integrated Services (OASIS) contract and its successor OASIS+. Please refer to [SAM.gov](#) to obtain details on OASIS+.



# Increased NASA Utilization of Multi-Agency Contracts and BIC Contract Solutions for Common Goods & Services

NASA strongly encourages our contractor community to consider participating in BIC and other MAC solicitations in order to maximize the community's ability to compete for future NASA award opportunities. NASA's Spend Under Management (SUM) increased from \$2.8B (59%) in FY18 to \$6.7B (84%) in FY22, and NASA is committed to continuing to implement category management practices in a manner consistent with its statutory socioeconomic responsibilities and the need to diversify the agency's small business supplier base. NASA's FY23 category management targets, as established by the Office of Management and Budget/Office of Federal Procurement Policy, are 88% SUM and 4% BIC utilization.

I appreciate your continued commitment to the NASA mission. Please direct any questions concerning this letter to your cognizant NASA contracting officer.

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**NASA's BIC Utilization in FY22?**

# Open FAR Cases in 2023

## Open FAR Cases as of January 27, 2023

Case Number	Part Number	Title	Synopsis	Status
2021-015	1, 4, 9, 23, 52	Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Climate-Related Financial Risk	Implements section 5(b)(i) of Executive Order 14030, Climate-Related Financial Risk, which directs the FAR Council to consider amending the FAR to require major Federal suppliers to publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions and climate-related financial risk and to set science-based reduction targets.	11/14/2022 Published proposed FAR rule in Federal Register (87 FR 68312 and 87 FR 78910). Public comment period extended to 02/13/2023.



# Greenhouse Gas Emission Disclosure & Climate Related Financial Risk

## RIN: 9000–AO32

Rule proposes to separate “major Federal suppliers” into two categories: significant contractors and major contractors. Per this proposed rule, both significant contractors and major contractors would be subject to annual Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions disclosure requirements (discussed in section II.B.1. of this preamble), while only major contractors would be subject to the annual climate disclosure, which includes disclosure of Scope 3 GHG emissions, and science-based target requirements

A “significant contractor” if the offeror received \$7.5 million or more, but not exceeding \$50 million, in Federal contract obligations (as defined in OMB Circular A–11) in the prior Federal fiscal year as indicated in SAM. An offeror is considered a “major contractor” if the offeror received more than \$50 million.

**EPA offers a tool: a simplified GHG emissions calculator (see <https://www.epa.gov/climateleadership/simplified-ghgemissions-calculator>).**



# FAR Case – Supply Chain Software Security

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2023-002	1, 39, 52	Supply Chain Software Security	Implements section 4(n) of Executive Order (EO) 14028, which requires suppliers of software available for purchase by agencies to comply with, and attest to complying with, applicable secure software development requirements in accordance.	11/02/2022 DARC Director tasked FAR Acquisition Technology & Information Team to draft proposed FAR rule. Report due 02/22/2023.
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## GSA Technology Contractors: 4 Requirements to Ensure Only Approved Software Is Used

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS, BLOG 02.02.23

By: Isaias “Cy” Alba, IV, Daniel Figuenick, III



**GSA Self Attestations in mid-June**

# SBA Releases Preview of New HUBZone Maps Effective July 1, 2023

SBA Preview HUBZone Map Effective July 01, 2023

About HUBZone Program

The screenshot displays the SBA HUBZone Map interface. At the top left, the search bar contains the coordinates 34.723181, -86.630132. The map shows a yellow background with various towns and roads. A green shaded area, labeled 'Qualified HUBZone', is centered on the Huntsville area. The right-hand sidebar contains several sections: a location pin icon with the coordinates 34.723181°, -86.630132°; a green button with a checkmark icon and the text 'Qualified HUBZone'; a 'Designations' section with a 'Show Details' link and a 'Census Tract' selection; and a 'Local Information' section with a 'Show Details' link and the text 'Qualification Valid as of July 01, 2023'. The bottom left corner of the map interface shows a legend and the URL https://sba.gov.



# Challenges & Topics for Future Conversations

- Small Business Prime Opportunities**
- Labor Rate Inflation**
- Competing against SBA Mentor Protégé Joint Ventures**
- SBA Thoughts on Equity in Government Contracting – Gender & Racial**
- What are yours?**