



SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTING PLAN

NAICS

North American Industrial Classification System

NAICS are used as a basis for size standards for federal contracting purposes. As of October 1, 2001 all Federal Agencies have been required to use NAICS in their solicitations and contracts.

The Small Business Administration (SBA) establishes small business size standards on an industry-by-industry basis.

Small business size standards are applied by:

- 1) Classifying the product or service being acquired in the industry whose definition, as found in the NAICS Manual, best describes the principal nature of the product or service being acquired;
- 2) Identifying the size standard SBA established for the industry; and
- 3) Specifying the size standard in the solicitation so that offerors can appropriately represent themselves as small or large.

For size standard purposes, a product or service shall be classified in only one industry, whose definition best describes the principal nature of the product or service being acquired even though for other purposes it could be classified in more than one.

When acquiring a product or service that could be classified in two or more industries with different size standards, contracting officers shall apply the size standard for the industry accounting for the greatest percentage of the contract price.

If a solicitation calls for more than one item and allows offers to be submitted on all of the items, an offeror must meet the size standard for each item it offers to furnish.

For additional information about NAICS visit: <http://www.census.gov/naics>

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