



Supplier Announcement

Section 889 of the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2019

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Valued General Atomics Supplier,

As mentioned in the General Atomics (GA) 'Summer 2020 Supplier Newsletter,' the U.S. Government (USG) continues to focus on cyber threats to information and product integrity. To that end, section 889 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for fiscal year (FY) 2019 (Public Law 115-232 – Aug. 13, 2020) introduced new regulations under a phased implementation referred to as Part A and Part B.

Part A, effective August 2019, prohibited contractors from providing to the USG "any equipment, system or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or service as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system."

Part B, which became effective August 13, 2020, expands the prohibitions beyond work performance under government contracts. More specifically, Part B precludes the USG from entering into a contract, or extending or renewing a contract, with an entity that uses "covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system," regardless of whether such equipment, system or service is used for military or commercial (non-government) applications.

For more information, please see the General Services Administration guidance on Section 889 [here](#).

All GA Suppliers must be familiar with and, adhere to the requirements of Section 889 of the NDAA. Please review your proposals prior to submission, and any open Orders, and inform your Purchasing Representative of concerns regarding your compliance. Note that GA may ask for representations to demonstrate your understanding and compliance with Section 889. For example, you may be asked to represent whether your company will provide or use "covered telecommunications equipment or services," as defined in Section 889 of the NDAA.

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