Significant Changes for the GSA Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) Solicitation (Interact post attachment)

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GSA anticipates that the refresh will occur in January 2025.

Summary of Planned Changes Below is a high-level description of significant changes to be included in the upcoming MAS refresh and mass modification. Be sure to review the final solicitation refresh and mass modification for full details.

A: Changes to Overall MAS Solicitation:

- 1. Implement revisions to SCP-FSS-001 Instructions Applicable to All Offerors
 - a. Clarify language addressing 12-month waiting period for new offers after cancellation due to low/no sales or compliance issues Section I (iv)(D)
 - b. Clarify Streamline Offer paragraph (d) regarding Joint Ventures (JV)
 - c. Add requirement related to "Rejection of Offer" to paragraph (h)
 - d. Clarify Accessories definition can be sold alone or with a base item Section III Price Proposal (ii)(E)(1)
 - e. Clarify minimum years of experience must be relevant Section III Price Proposal (x)(A)
- 2. Implement minor revision to the Offer and Modification **Products** Price Proposal Templates (PPT)
 - a. Update 'Manufacturer Name' definition and add note to 'Glossary' tab
 - b. Update 'Change Log' tab
- 3. Transition Small Business Set-Aside (SBSA) SINs

GSA has identified an opportunity to reduce administrative burden, enhance vendor capabilities, and minimize compliance risks by transitioning Small Business Set-Aside (SBSA) SINs under the MAS Solicitation.

Currently, the structure of SBSA SINs requires contractors to manage multiple MAS contracts, which increases administrative complexity, limits their ability to offer total solutions under a single contract, and introduces significant compliance risks, particularly concerning the Buy American Act (BAA). This approach disproportionately impacts small businesses, especially since the SBSA SINs are no longer essential for setting aside opportunities under the MAS program.

To streamline processes, GSA plans to:

- a. Transition SBSA SINs to a non-SBSA equivalent SIN
- a. Encourage the use of order-level set asides

During the transition, contractors can continue operating under the existing structure, and GSA will engage with affected contractors to transition offerings.

GSA will provide detailed instructions regarding SBSA SIN transition during the January 8, 2025 Webinar.

Category	SBSA SINs
Office Management	Office Services Subcategory (A08): SIN 561320SBSA Temporary Staffing (SBSA) Office Supplies Subcategory (A09): SIN 333318SBSA Office Security Equipment and IT Products
Furniture & Furnishings	Flooring Subcategory (C01): SIN 314110SBSA Carpet Flooring (SBSA) Healthcare Furniture Subcategory (C03): SIN 337127CSB Chair, Convalescent (SBSA) Household Dormitory and Quarters Furniture Subcategory (C04): SINs 337122SBSA Household, Dormitory & Quarters Furniture (SBSA) & 3FURNISH Commercial Office Furnishings (SBSA) Miscellaneous Furniture Subcategory (C05): SINs 337122OSB Park, Recreational & Outdoor Furniture (SBSA), 337127CFSB Cafeteria and Food Service Furniture (SBSA), 337127CISB Correctional Institution Furniture (SBSA), 337127LFSB Library Furniture (SBSA), 337127TLSB Tables and Lecterns (SBSA), 337215MSB Mail Sorting and Distribution Furniture (SBSA), 337215BSA Wall Units and Displays (SBSA), 33721RSB Remanufactured Furniture (SBSA) & 33721SBSA Storage (SBSA)
Industrial Products & Services	Industrial Products Subcategory (E05): SIN 3331SBSA Clearing Equipment
Miscellaneous	Awards Subcategory (G01): SIN 339999ASB Awards
Professional Services	Marketing and Public Relations (H08): SIN 323111SBSA Photographic Services and Solutions
Transportation & Logistics Services	Package Delivery (K03): SIN 492210SB Local Courier Delivery Services

4. Incorporate clause and provision updates, as necessary, through Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2025-02 and GSAR Change 194 (except Change 187)

B: Changes to Specific Large Category, Subcategory or SIN:

1. All Large Categories

- a. Add language to "General Information" section
 - i. <u>CONUS/OCONUS Requirements</u>

Some requirements may apply only to applications in the Continental United States (CONUS), Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. For products

and services proposed internationally (OCONUS), the commensurate standards will apply and should be provided with the offer, but will be reviewed by the ordering activity for compliance with the local requirements and standards.

2. Facilities (B)

- a. Facilities Maintenance and Repair Subcategory (B01): SIN 561210FAC Facilities Maintenance and Management
 - Add a new SIN Subgroup, 'Geographic Coverage includes Europe', to indicate a contractor has the ability to operate, perform or deliver to this area.

3. Professional Services (H):

- a. Technical and Engineering Services (Non IT) Subcategory (H08): SIN 541990 All Other Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (Non-IT)
 - Add a new SIN Subgroup, 'Geographic Coverage includes Europe', to indicate a contractor has the ability to operate, perform or deliver to this area.

C: Changes to Modification and mass modification guidance:

- 1. Revisions to Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) Modification Guide on gsa.gov
 - a. Add note to Page 1: Please note as of 1/17/2025, all Small Business Set-Aside (SBSA) SINs are closed to new MAS contract-level awards/modifications.
 - b. Update the Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) Price List *reminder* to indicate The I-FSS-600 *must be* updated when impacted items will be published on the text file posted on GSA Advantage!