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MANUFACTURER-BASED IT UMBRELLA SERVICE- DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESSES TOWN HALL WEBINARS

SEPTEMBER 23RD OR 24TH, 2020 FROM 11AM TO 12PM

I cordially invite you to join me for this important event.

Dear Service-Disabled Veteran Business Partners,

As you know OGS provides over 1500 centralized contracts for use by state agencies, local governments and other authorized users. While one of the contract suites we are very proud of is the Umbrella Manufacturer IT contract, we also know that that suite of contracts was originally solicited prior to the state's prioritization of SDVOB partners, which left the program not included in the first iteration of the contract. Early in the year OGS was preparing to get the new solicitation published to keep our promise of inclusion. However due to the unprecedented demands on procurement staff during the state's COVID response, we have had to modify our plan for releasing the new contract, periodic recruitment #2, until early 2021. We have issued a short-term extension to the existing contract for a maximum of 24 months, but that will expire immediately upon the execution of the new contract. OGS is pleased to announce that SDVOB goals have been added to LOT 4 (Implementation) in the extension. We appreciate your patience as we invest the time and resources to get the new solicitation correct. As part of the planning process we will be hosting two town hall sessions(webinars) with SDVOB vendors to understand any terms and conditions in the contract that you see as opportunities for improvement, in coordination with the SDVOB program office in OGS, in particular for LOTS 1, 2 and 3. At these sessions you will be invited to ask any question about the current contract, make suggestions, express any frustrations or even tell us what you love about the contracts. In addition, we will provide SDVOB vendors an opportunity to provide written feedback along the same lines. We will ask you to look for the periodic recruitment schedule and any feedback deadlines because we will need to review your feedback and consider any changes before releasing the solicitation.

Thank you for being great partners with us and we look forward to your feedback and inclusion in this new ITS contract suite.

WEBINAR

On **Wednesday September 23rd and Thursday September 24th, 2020**, the Office of General Services, Procurement Services will host a "Town Hall" webinar with the Chief Procurement Officer, Sean Carroll, for service-disabled veteran businesses regarding the Periodic Recruitment #2 of the

Manufacturer's Based IT Umbrella Award due to be released early 2021. This event will be held **from 11 AM to 12 PM on each day.**

RSVP by September 18th

Register by emailing stacey.savage@ogs.ny.gov. Please include the names of attendees with titles, company name and contact information (phone and email) and which day you would like to participate. Information on the webinar will be sent to you and the attendees following registration.

Questions

Please submit any questions you would like to be addressed at the Town Hall Meeting when you register. All questions may not be addressed during the Town Hall but will be answered and communicated to you following the webinar.

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