

## DEFENSE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AGENCY

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Open Letter to Defense Information Systems Agency Contractors

SUBJECT: Assessing Contractor Implementation of Cybersecurity Requirements, Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS)

## Dear Partners:

Thank you for your continued support to the Department of Defense and the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) mission! Together, we provide great value for the warfighter.

The purpose of this letter is to provide information on completing and submitting the assessment in the SPRS.

Effective 30 November 2020, DFARS Provision 252.204-7019, Notice of NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Requirements and DFARS Clause 252.204-7020, NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Requirements will be placed in DISA contracts for information technology services. This requires vendors to complete a self-assessment under the NIST standards. This must occur prior to award of a contract/order or modification of a contract/order.

For preparation information including the assessment methodology, see: <u>Defense Pricing and Contracting</u> (<u>DPC</u>) <u>Cyber Page</u>, <u>Strategically Assessing Contractor Implementation of NIST SP 800-171</u>: <a href="https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/cyber/strategically assessing contractor implementation of NIST SP 800-171.html">https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/cyber/strategically assessing contractor implementation of NIST SP 800-171.html</a>

For assessment methodology, see: <u>The Assessment Methodology Document https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/cyber/docs/NIST%20SP%20800-171%20Assessment%20Methodology%20Version%201,2.1%20%206.24.2020.pdf</u>

For Instructions on how to enter assessment into SPRS, see: https://www.sprs.csd.disa.mil/pdf/NISTSP800-171QuickEntryGuide.pdf

For a list of frequently asked questions, see: <a href="https://www.sprs.csd.disa.mil/pdf/NISTSP800-171FAQs.pdf">https://www.sprs.csd.disa.mil/pdf/NISTSP800-171FAQs.pdf</a>.

Vendor questions regarding interpreting the requirement or conducting the assessment may be directed to your corporate DCMA point of contact or the DCMA general mailbox: <a href="mailto:dcma.lee.hq.mbx.dibcac-scheduling-inbox@mail.mil">dcma.lee.hq.mbx.dibcac-scheduling-inbox@mail.mil</a>.

Thanks again for all you do to support DISA's mission!

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