

# SUPPLIER RESOURCES

## Diverse Supplier Definitions

### HUBZone Small Business

The Small Business Administration's HUBZone Program is designed to promote economic development and employment growth in distressed areas by providing access to more federal contracting opportunities. A HUBZone is defined as a "Historically Underutilized Business Zone." (Must be certified by SBA. There is an expiration date.)

To participate in the HUBZone Empowerment Contracting Program, a concern must be determined to be a "qualified HUBZone small business concern." A firm can be found to be a qualified HUBZone concern, if:

- » It is [small](#)
- » It is [located in a "historically underused business zone"](#) (HUBZone)
- » It is owned and controlled by one or more U.S. citizens, and
- » At least 35 percent of its employees reside in a HUBZone
- » Please see the [HUBZone](http://www.sba.gov/hubzone) home page (<http://www.sba.gov/hubzone>)

### Prime Supplier

A prime supplier is any supplier that is reporting second tier spend data to Exide.

### Second Tier Spend

Second tier spend is defined as spend with a diverse supplier that is used by a prime (first tier) supplier for goods or services on behalf of Exide.

### Second Tier Registration

All prime suppliers reporting second tier spend must register their company through the second tier registration link to begin reporting spend data to Exide.

### Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business

(FAR 52.219-8, 38 USC 101(16))- A small business concern that is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned by one or more service-disabled veterans may represent itself as a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Concern in the Central Contractor Registry. To participate in the federal marketplace, the veteran must have a service-connected disability that has been determined by the Department of Veterans Affairs or his or her respective military branch of service. For more information, please go to [www.sba.gov/GC](http://www.sba.gov/GC) and [www.sba.gov/vets](http://www.sba.gov/vets). There is no service-disabled veteran-owned certification process to complete, simply self-certify.

### Small Business

A small business is defined by federal law as "one that is independently owned and operated and which is not dominant in its field of operation." The law also states that, in determining what constitutes a small business, the definition will reflect industry differences accurately. To qualify as a small business, a business concern eligible for assistance from SBA as a small business is one that is organized for profit, with a place of business located in the United States. It must operate primarily within the United States or make a significant contribution to the U.S. economy through payment of taxes or use of American products, materials, or labor. Together with its affiliates, it must meet the numerical size standards as defined in the Small Business Size Regulations, 13 CFR 121.

### Small Disadvantaged Business

The Small Business Administration (SBA) certifies Small Disadvantaged Businesses (SDBs) to make them eligible for special bidding benefits. SDBs are at least 51 percent owned by one or more individuals who are both socially and economically disadvantaged. This can include a publicly owned business that has at least 51 percent of its stock unconditionally owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals and whose management and daily business is controlled by one or more such individuals.

### Veteran-Owned Small Business

(FAR 52.219-9, 38 USC 101(2)) - A small business concern that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more veterans (as defined in 38 USC 101(2)), or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more veterans. In addition, one or more veterans must control the management and daily business operations. There is no veteran-owned certification process to complete, simply self-certify.

### Woman-Owned Small Business

A woman-owned business is defined as a business that is owned and controlled 51 percent or more by a woman or women. Currently, a woman-owned certification process is not required for federal contracts.

## Helpful Links

- » [Small Business Size Regulations](#)
- » [Table of Size Standards matched to North American Industry Classification System](#) (NAICS).
- » [North American Industry Classification System](#) (NAICS)
- » [Central Contractor Registration](#)
- » [CAGE Code](#) - Commercial and Government Entity