



GSAR CASE 2020-G502

IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 876 OF FY2019 NDAA
FOR
THE FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE (FSS) PROGRAM

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Recommendation 1



Go forward in a transparent manner with an implementation and communication plan.

Recommendation 2

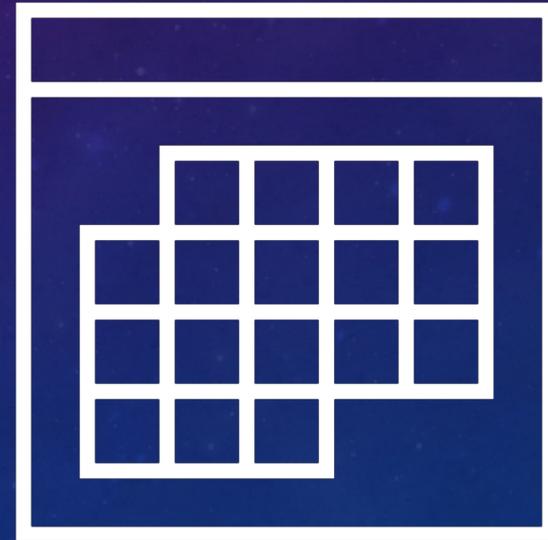
Set clear goals and measurement criteria around:

- Mission impact
- Impact on competition
- impact on small businesses
- Impact on burden
- Impact on contract and administrative cost
- Impact on entry, etc.



Recommendation 3

Implement completely on selected schedules/SINs first (e.g., 70 & PSS) and do not require hourly rate pricing from existing or new schedule holders for those task order competitions.



Recommendation 4



Implement on all other schedules on a contracting officer or agency discretion basis; but do not limit existing schedule holders if the 876 authority is used.

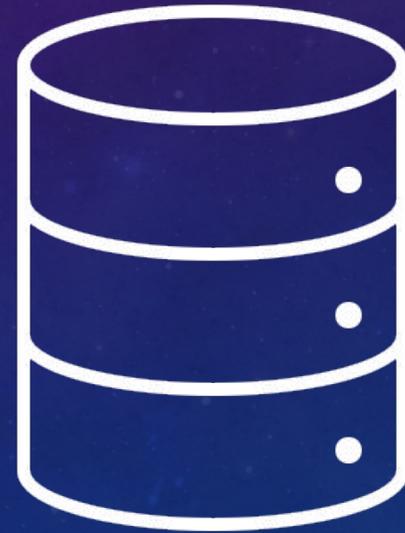
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Survey key stakeholders, including acquisition workforce, industry, program officials, etc. to help determine success.



Recommendation 6

Require use of a database of hourly rates paid only for when other than full and open competition is used or only one offer is received.



Recommendation 7



Implement a marketing campaign to make potential new schedule entrants aware of these changes.

Recommendation 8

Transition schedules program to one without hourly rate pricing but engender more trust by continuing to vet applicants well and leverage CPARs to convey performance ratings.



Recommendation 9



Assign a single spokesperson for this initiative and choose a singular portal for answering government and industry questions.

Recommendation 10

Coordinate with the Inspector General's Office regarding the Price Reduction Clause and other changes.

