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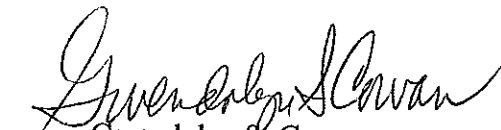
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FROM: Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, MA-51
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SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to the DEAR – Mentor-Protege Program

SUMMARY: The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization is amending its Mentor-Protege Pilot Initiative Guidelines which creates a permanent Department of Energy (DOE) Mentor-Protege Program. The purpose of the program is to foster long-term business relationships between small business entities and DOE prime contractors and to increase contract and subcontract awards to small business entities. Changes to this regulation include adding Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions to the list of eligible entities, a revision for incentives for Mentor participation and additional reporting requirements.

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You may view the rulemaking online at www.access.gpo.gov (go to "Quick Links and click on "Federal Register"). Comments on the proposed rulemaking must be received on or before January 5, 2000. For further information contact Eugene Tates of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization at (202) 586-4556; or Robert M. Webb of this Office at (202) 586-8264.


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