



8(a) Sole Source Award Process:

As a Federally Recognized 8(a) entity by the Small Business Administration, GBS can offer our customers several benefits to streamline the acquisition process.

One of the biggest advantages to this designation that it allows the federal government to award contracts to 8(a) certified companies on a sole-source basis without regard to contract value [13 CFR 124.506(b)]. Additionally, protests by other contractors are not allowed. This eliminates the time consuming process of RFP development, waiting for contractor responses, evaluating all submissions, and mitigates potential protests.

Steps to Establish a Sole Source Contract

- **Identify Requirements**
- **Decide to Sole Source**
- **Submit a Proposed Project Worksheet to the SBA**
- **Receive Approval from SBA**
- **Negotiate and Plan the Project Scope with GBS**
- **Award Sole Source Contract!**