

Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization

Q. What opportunities are on the horizon for small business?

A. 8(a) competitive Facility Management contract (RFP this month).

The major contracting opportunity for small general contractors is the worldwide renovation program. During the Spring of 2006, proposals were solicited for IDIQ contracts for 8(a), HUBZone, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned, and Small Business for this program. Contracts should be awarded in 2007 and it will be five years before this process is repeated.

Q. (from a large company) Are there opportunities for an 8(a) architectural firm which is mentored by a large architectural firm?

A. Yes, in fact, we have an 8(a) architectural contract in place and this firm is in fact mentored by a large architectural firm.