

The following additional language will be included along with the standard Section M language for those solicitations utilizing the Dun & Bradstreet/Open Ratings Report in concert with the Past Performance Questionnaires.

Dun and Bradstreet Open Ratings Report

EVALUATION FACTORS

Past Performance Factor – Dun & Bradstreet Open Ratings

If an offeror's past performance information consists of commercial efforts, and the offeror has requested a past performance information report from Dun & Bradstreet, the Government will utilize information provided by Dun & Bradstreet Open Ratings (D&B). The Government evaluation team will review the contracts listed and use the relevancy definitions included herein to determine whether the customer survey responses are on contracts relevant to the product or service covered by this RFP. A sample evaluation report issued by D&B is available for review at <http://www.openratings.com/>.

When evaluating past performance for relevancy, the following criteria apply:

Very Relevant	Past/present performance efforts involve the magnitude of effort and complexities, which are essentially what this solicitation requires.
Relevant	Past/present performance efforts involved less magnitude of effort and complexities, including most of what this solicitation requires.
Semi-Relevant	Past/present performance efforts involved much less magnitude of effort and complexities, including some of what this solicitation requires.
Not Relevant	Did not involve any significant aspects of above

NOTE: THE GOVERNMENT WILL NOT REIMBURSE THE OFFEROR OR ANY OF THEIR CRITICAL SUBCONTRACTORS FOR THE COST OF THE OPEN RATINGS REPORT IN THE EVENT IT IS NOT UTILIZED DUE TO A "NOT RELEVANT" DETERMINATION BY THE GOVERNMENT.

As a result of an analysis of the Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) Past Performance Evaluation Report, other performance data the team may have identified, and the relevancy identified during the evaluation, each offeror will receive an integrated Performance Confidence Assessment Rating for the Past Performance factor, which represents the Government's confidence in the offeror's

probability of successfully performing the proposed effort. Each offeror will receive one of the ratings described in AFFARS MP 5315.3 para.5.5.3.2, for the Past Performance factor. Due to the very broad nature of the Open Ratings Report and the lack of specificity, the past performance information obtained from the Open Ratings Report will be substantially less important than the past performance information obtained from the Past Performance Questionnaires when assigning a Performance Confidence Assessment Rating.

NOTE: USE OF THE OPEN RATINGS REPORT PRECLUDES THE GOVERNMENT FROM IDENTIFYING THE APPLICABLE CONTRACT AND THE SPECIFIC ADVERSE PAST PERFORMANCE COMMENT(S). THEREFORE, THIS WILL PRECLUDE THE GOVERNMENT FROM INFORMING OFFERORS OF SPECIFIC ADVERSE PAST PERFORMANCE INFORMATION AS DISCUSSED IN FAR 15.306(d)(3) AND AFFARS MP 5315.306 PARAGRAPH 5.6.2.1.

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