



# SBA 8(a) Data Call Discussion for ANC Firms

# Best Practice Recommendations

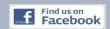
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- Quick review of What is Known Now
  - Roll up from earlier presentations today
- MySBA Data Call Screenshots
- Open Q&A discussion w/Pamela & Craig
  - Any firms NOT receive the SBA letter?
  - Access difficulties?





SBA Data Call Letter

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Subject: SBA 8(a) Business Data Call CSH Email ID:0008004039491

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#### U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20416

December 5, 2025

To:

#### Dear.

Recent reports by journalists and independent investigators have raised questions about widespread misconduct within the \$(a) Businesses Development Program, adding to years of credible concerns that the program designed to serve "socially and economically disadvantaged" businesses has become a vehicle for institutionalized abuse at taxpayer expense.

The Small Business Administration ("SBA") administers and oversees compliance with the \$(a) federal contracting <u>program</u> (15 U.S.C. 637), in which your firm is a participant. To address waste, fraud, and abuse in the \$(a) Program, the Administrator of the SBA is given broad power to conduct investigations deemed necessary to determine whether a recipient of such assistance violated any applicable laws or regulations. [1]

In furtherance of this responsibility, the SBA is requesting the data and items listed in Exhibit A of this letter by January 5, 2026, as part of a broader evaluation of fraud, waste and abuse among 8(a) Program participants. To the extent that your firm submitted any particular information in routine annual reporting, that particular information need not be submitted again. The requested data submissions should be uploaded to our portal at <a href="https://certifications.sba.gov">https://certifications.sba.gov</a>.

Failure to respond to the SBA's inquiry may result in a determination that your firm is not eligible for continued participation in the 8(a) Program and may result in further investigative or additional remedial action.

Sincerely,

/s/

Wendell G. Davis

#### EXHIBIT A: DATA REQUESTED

The SBA Requests, by January 5, 2026, that you provide your:

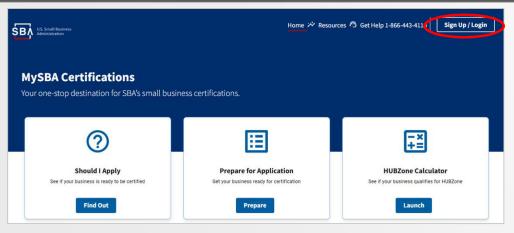
- 1. General Ledger for the last three full fiscal years (CSV Files Only)
- 2. Trial Balance as of the last day for each of the last three fiscal year-ends (CSV Files Only)
- 3. IRS Form 4506 covering the last three full fiscal years (PDF Files Only)
- 4. Bank Statements as of the last day for each of the last three fiscal year-ends (PDF Files Only)
- 5. Bank Reconciliations as of the last day for each of the last three fiscal year-ends (PDF Files Only)
- Payroll Register and Reconciliation (including any distributions to any owner) monthly for the last three full fiscal years (PDF Files Only)
- List of All Employees, broken out by contracts those employees are servicing, for the last three full fiscal years (PDF Files Only)
- 8. List of all Vendors (as well as all joint ventures) for the last three full fiscal years (PDF Files Only)
- Copy of all 8(a) Contracts on which the firm is currently working for the last three full fiscal years (PDF Files Only)
- Subcontracting Agreements related to the contracts in item 9 (for the last three full fiscal years) (PDF Files Only)
- Financial Statements which include, at a minimum, the year-end Balance Sheet, YTD P&L, Cash Flow Statement, and the Statement of Equity for each of the last three fiscal years (CSV Files Only)
- Financial Statement Reconciliation to the year-end Trial Balance for the last three fiscal years (CSV Files Only), and
- 13. For each of the last three full fiscal years, a Sub-Ledger Schedule tying to the year-end trial balance accounts for: all Accounts Receivable accounts, all Accounts Payable accounts and all P&L accounts (CSV Files Only)

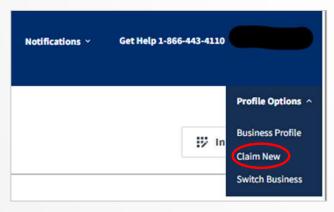
ШSee, e.g., 15 U.S.С. § 634(b)(11).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>128</sup> For clarification, data requested in a monthly increment would not be duplicative of the same data already submitted in an annualized form, and would have to be submitted in the monthly increment.



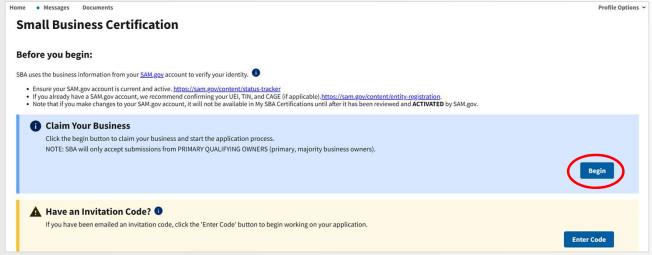
### MySBA Screenshots





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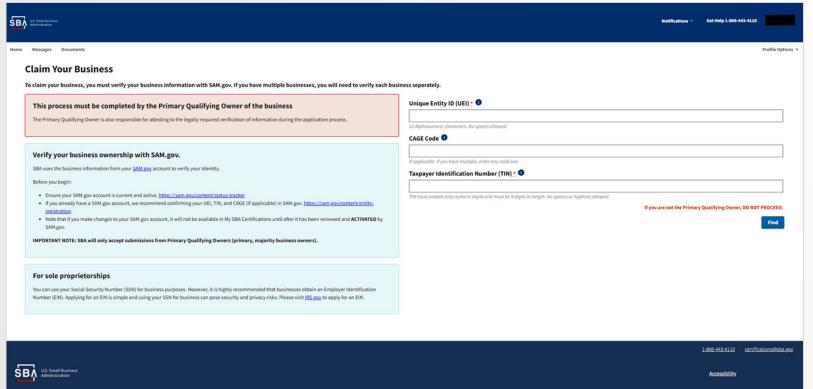
- Roll your cursor over the words and a dropdown menu will appear.
- Click on Claim New.



Below screen will pop up. Click on Begin



### My SBA Screenshots

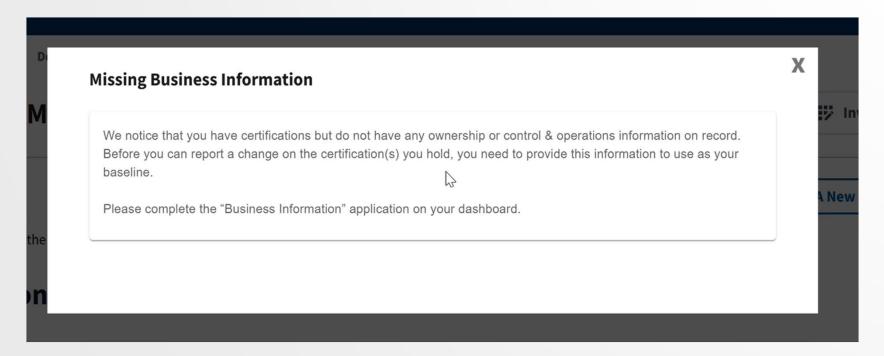


- Fill out requested data then click Find.
- If you get an error, make sure the information you are putting in those blocks are identical to what's in the SAM registration.
- If you get an error that says this business has already been claimed, you'll need to submit a help desk ticket by clicking on Get Help

Or call: 1-866-443-4110

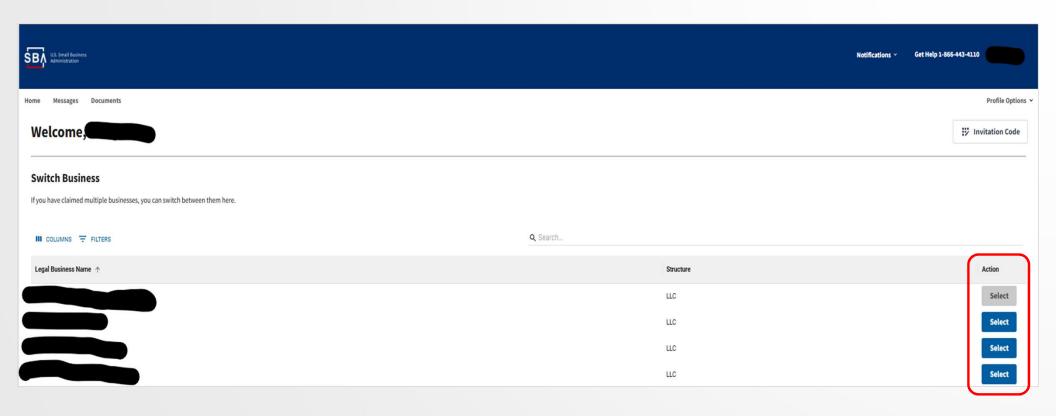
### **Missing Business Information**

#### After claiming the individual subsidiaries, you might see this error:





### My SBA Screenshots



Once you claim your business, you'll see a screen like this. Just click on Select for the business you want to respond to the data call.



### My SBA Screenshots

#### **Applications**

**Business Development Dashboard** 

Draft

**Data Call: Primary Qualifying Owner** 

**Deadline** countdown! Days Left

25

8(a) Business Development

**Application ID** 

To begin your Data Call response, click the green "Continue" button to the right of this message

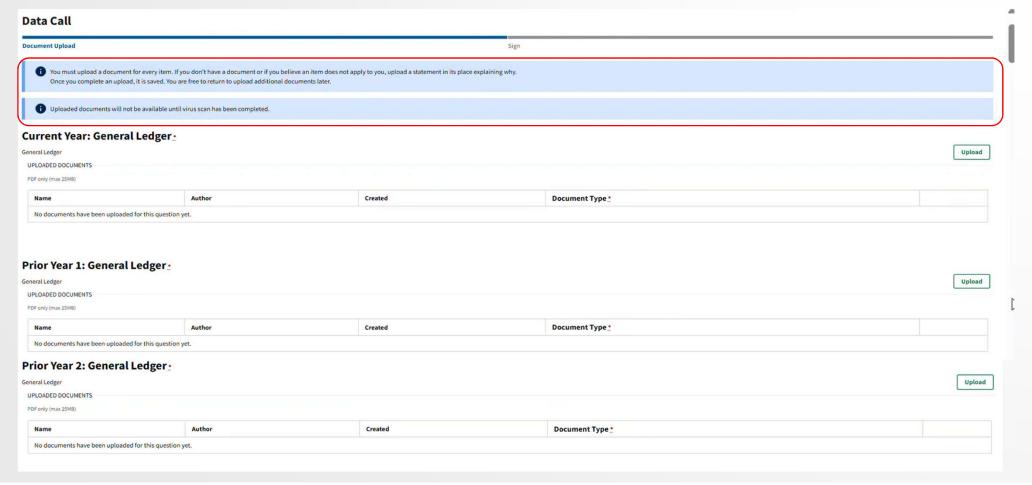




# My SBA Screenshots – General Ledger

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#### Request 1: General Ledger for the last three full fiscal years (CSV files only)

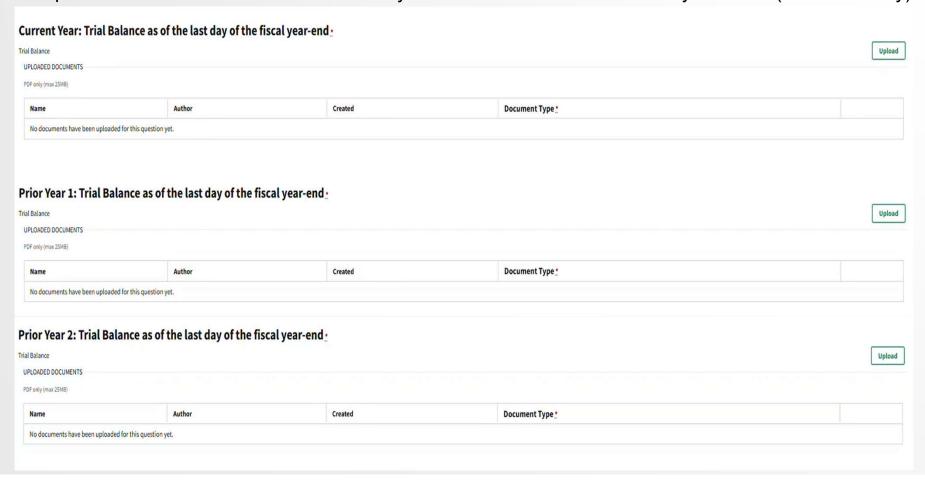




### My SBA Screenshots – Trial Balance

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#### Request 2: **Trial Balance** as of the last day for each of the last three fiscal year-ends (CSV files only)





### Sub-Ledger Schedule

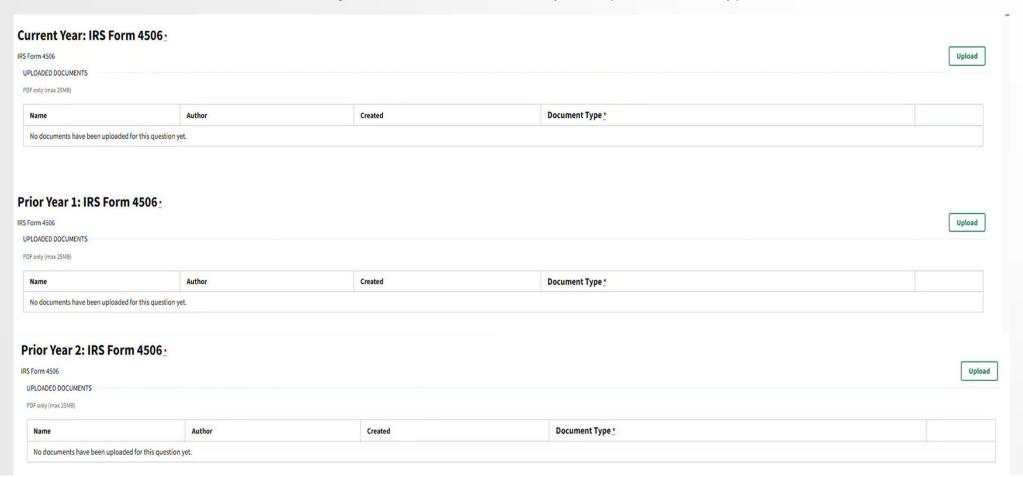
Request 13: For each of the last three full fiscal years, a **Sub-Ledger Schedule** tying to the year-end trial balance accounts for: all Accounts Receivable accounts, all Accounts Payable accounts and all P&L accounts (CSV files only)

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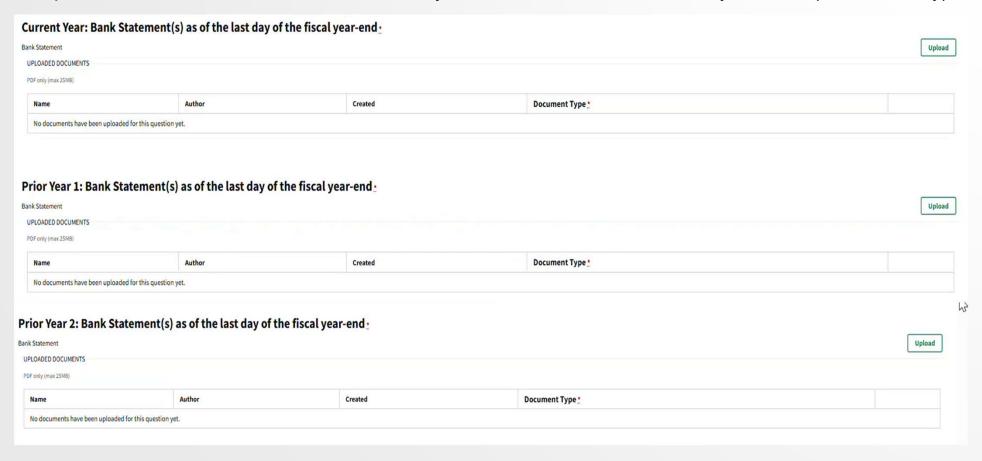
#### Request 3: IRS Form 4506 covering the last three full fiscal years (PDF files only)





### Bank Statement(s)

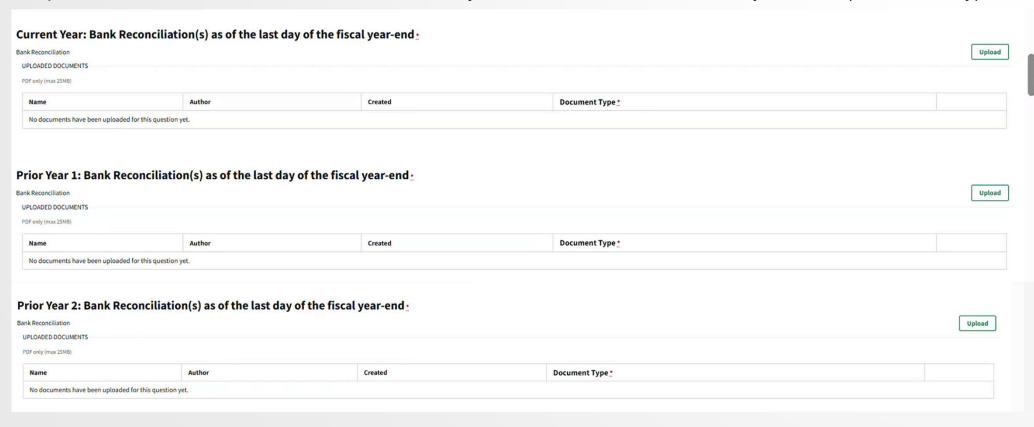
#### Request 4: Bank Statements as of the last day for each of the last three fiscal year-ends (PDF files only)





### Bank Reconciliation(s)

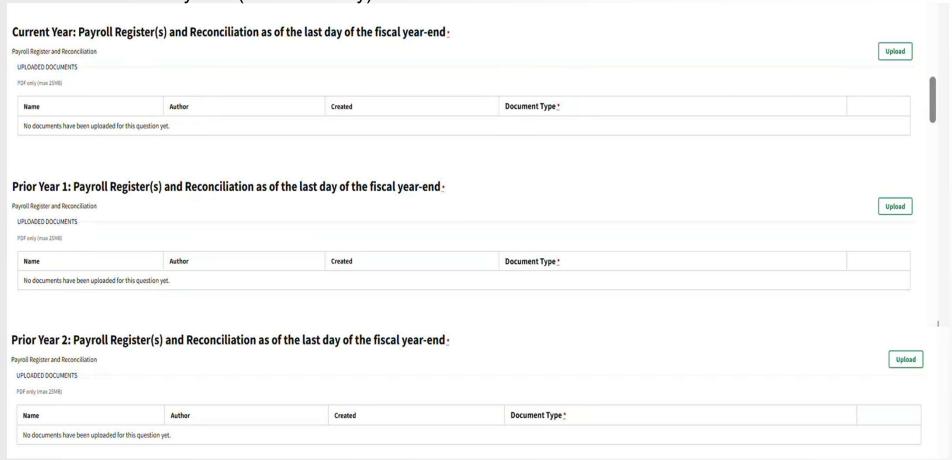
#### Request 5: Bank Reconciliations as of the last day for each of the last three fiscal year-ends (PDF files only)





### Payroll Register(s)

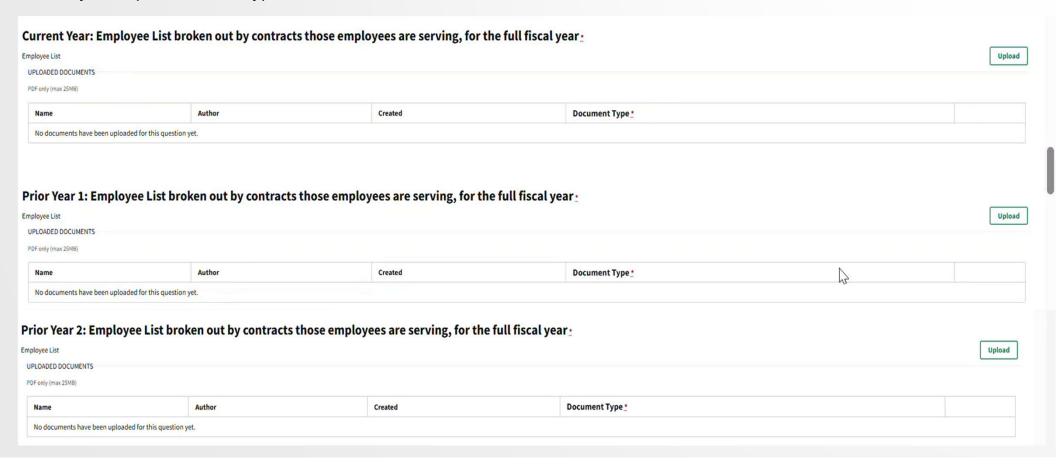
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# **Employee List**

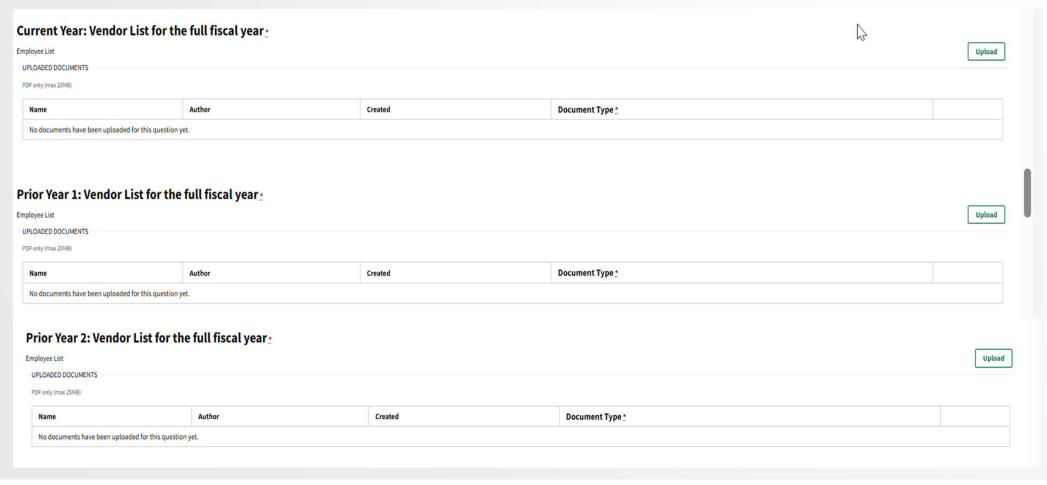
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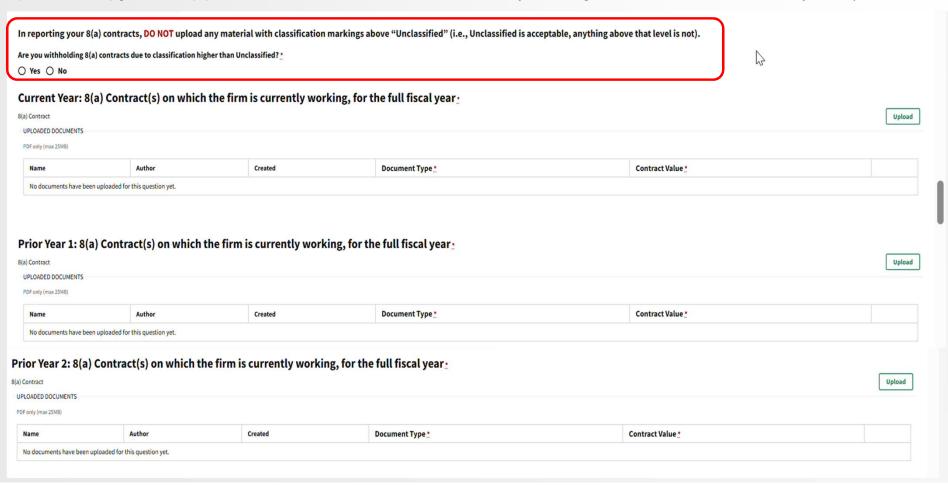
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#### **Contracts**

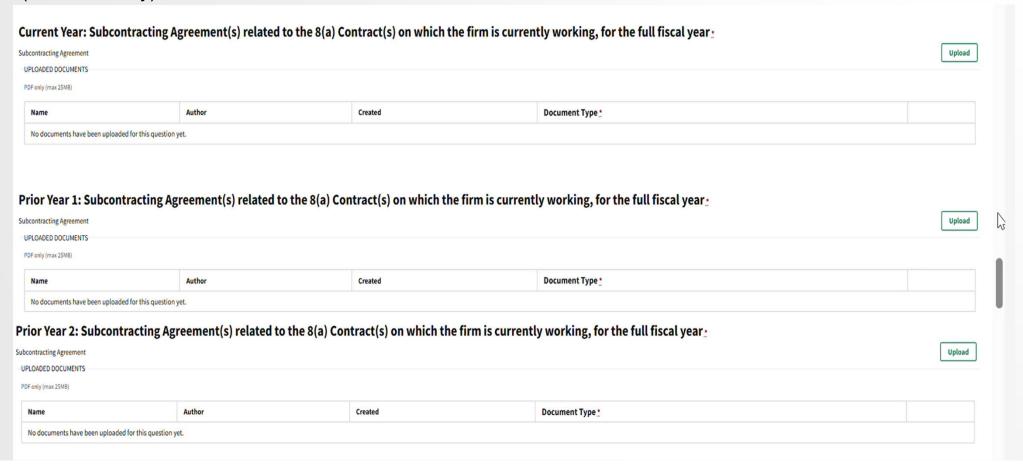
Request 9: Copy of all 8(a) Contracts on which the firm is currently working for the last three full fiscal years (PDF files only)





# Subcontracting Agreement(s)

Request 10: **Subcontracting Agreements** related to the contract in item 9 (for the last three full fiscal years) (PDF files only)





#### **Financial Statements**

Request 11: **Financial Statements** which include, at a minimum, the year-end Balance Sheet, YTD P&L, Cash Flow Statement, and the Statement of Equity for each of the last three fiscal years (CSV files only)

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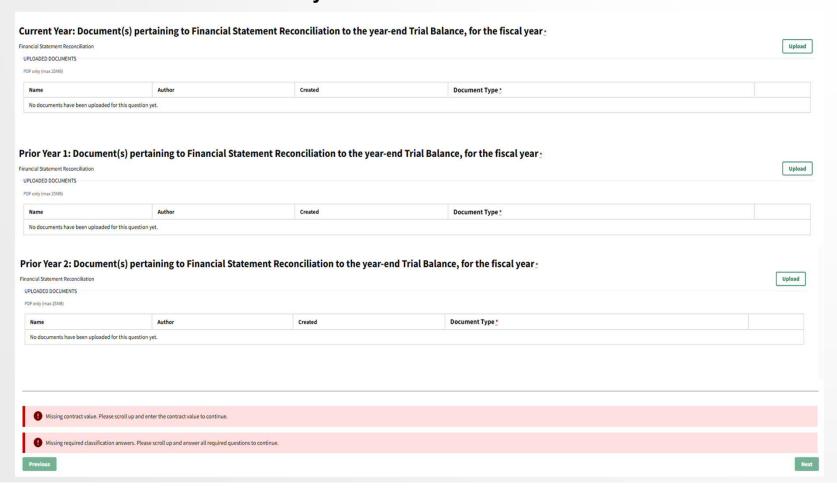


### **Financial Statement Reconciliation**

Request 12: Financial Statement Reconciliation to the year-end Trial Balance the last three full fiscal

years (CSV files only)

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#### SBA's Data Call to all 8(a) Participants:

- Check all spam folders look for that email
- Make sure you are responding for each 8(a) Entity is the firm graduated?
  - If the firm has graduated, but you received a request submit data any Comments?
- Compare the questions in the portal to the questions in the letter
- Use the requested format from the letter not the portal; although you can upload both formats
  - CSV files vs. Excel files Comments?
- Letters of Explanation: Explain assumptions/logic that produced the data make the bridge between what was provided vs. what was requested.
- Breakdown documents in order to upload for every category upload request
- System Issues:
  - Errors in claiming an entity Submit a help ticket, grab screenshots of the help ticket and note date and time submitted
  - Errors in linking hierarchy Comments?
  - Upload before 1/5/2026 Christine is predicting a system shutdown on the 5<sup>th</sup>!



### **CMMC** Compliance

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Provided by Christine Williams and Sam Le

#### **CMMC Level Compliance**

- Does SBA have CMMC data ports and levels for the federal safeguarding of CMMC data? An area of larger concern is CMMC level 3 (I think of it off hand as one step below classified).
- As you likely know, CUI is covered here as well and has to be identified and controlled as it is "not intended for public release." So we know SBA should not release but how will it know it has that data?
- As you likely know, DoW f/k/a DOD (those links are still being used by DoW) require the government identify CMMC level two data in solicitations.
- I cannot find where, if at all, SBA has issued guidelines for certain levels of CMMC data or believes it does not apply. As you know, if the portal is not cleared, it may have to go to a third party vendor like FedRamp Moderate (or equivalent) to ensure encryption while in transmission/transit.
- Guidance would be appreciated.

Check your Contract!!

#### **Protect your own Data:**

- Mark as proprietary & confidential information – subject to this investigation only.
- Redact bank account numbers
- Redact PII (?)

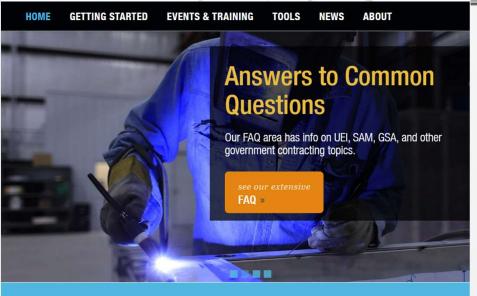








# **Program Introduction**



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How can the Alaska APEX help you?