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**POLICY ALERT**  
**No. 12-01**  
**Transition to the System for Award Management**

**REFERENCE:** Federal Register: [January 3, 2012 \(Volume 77, Number 1\)](#)  
Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-055, Item II -  
Transition to the System for Award Management (FAR Case 2011-021)

**TYPE OF ACTION:** Final Rule

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 2, 2012

**SUMMARY:** The Integrated Acquisition Environment (IAE) systems (the Central Contractor Registration database, the Excluded Parties List System, and the Online Representations and Certifications Application) are being moved to a new system. These procurement systems are being transitioned to the System for Award Management. The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) change indicates that these IAE systems and the Disaster Response Registry will now be accessed through the Acquisition Central website at <http://www.acquisition.gov>.

This final rule also makes administrative changes by deleting the definition for “business partner network” and revises the relevant database references throughout the FAR, including various clauses, to show the new web site address.

**ACTION REQUIRED:** Contracting Officers, Contract Specialists, and Contract Administrators are advised to utilize familiarize themselves with the new web site address. At Acquisition Central, <http://www.acquisition.gov>, select “Acquisition System” near the top left corner of the page. Additionally, ensure that the most current clauses are included in solicitations and new contracts.

This Policy Alert is effective on the date indicated above, and remains in effect until revised or otherwise rescinded.

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