As of January 1, 2005, the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) requires the use of the System for Award Management (SAM) in Federal solicitations as part of the proposal submission process. SAM is a web-based system that centralizes and standardizes the collection, storage and viewing of many of the FAR required representations and certifications previously found in solicitations.

With SAM, our customers now have the ability to access RFCD's information via the Internet at https://www.sam.gov. This eliminates paper submissions and facilitates a speedy proposal evaluation.

Here are some Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) regarding SAM.

**What is SAM?**

The System for Award Management is the Official U.S. Government system that consolidated the capabilities of CCR/FedReg, ORCA, and EPLS. It includes streamlined and integrated processes, elimination of data redundancies, and reduced costs while providing improved capability. It is an e-Government initiative that has been developed to replace most of the paper based Representations and Certifications (Reps and Certs) process, known as Section K, by creating an internet application that allows users access 24/7.

**Who can see my records?**

SAM records are considered public information. Anyone with access to the Internet, that knows your DUNS number, can search the archives to view a SAM record.

**Why was SAM created?**

In the past, vendors were required to submit Reps and Certs for each individual large purchase contract award. Now, using SAM, a contractor can enter their Reps and Certs information once for use on all Federal contracts. This site not only benefits the contractor by allowing them to maintain an accurate and complete record but also the Contracting Officer as they can view every record, including archives, with the click of a mouse.

**What is Harris RFCD DUNS number?**

00-220-4600. Online it should be entered as 002204600.

Thank you for using this efficient online tool for your Reps and Certs!