

## 5.201 General.

(a) As required by the Small Business Act ([15 U.S.C.637\(e\)](#)) and the Office of Federal *Procurement* Policy Act ([41 U.S.C.1708](#)), agencies *must* make notices of proposed *contract actions* available as specified in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b)

(1) For *acquisitions* of *supplies* and services, other than those covered by the exceptions in [5.202](#) and the special situations in [5.205](#), the *contracting officer must* transmit a notice to the GPE, for each proposed-

(i) *Contract action* meeting the threshold in [5.101\(a\)\(1\)](#);

(ii) Modification to an existing contract for additional *supplies* or services that meets the threshold in [5.101\(a\)\(1\)](#); or

(iii) *Contract action* in any amount when advantageous to the Government.

(2) When transmitting notices using *electronic commerce*, *contracting officers must* ensure the notice is forwarded to the GPE.

(c) The primary purposes of the notice are to improve small business access to *acquisition* information and enhance competition by identifying *contracting* and subcontracting opportunities.

(d) The GPE *may* be accessed via the Internet at <https://www.sam.gov>.

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 5.2 - Synopses of Proposed Contract Actions](#)