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Hon. Roger Wicker, SASC  
Hon. Adam Smith, HASC

Subject: NDIA Concur: Exempt Traditional Contractors from the Earned Value Management System Requirement

Dear Hon. Chairman Wicker and Ranking Member Smith:

The NDIA concurs with my recommendation that S. 5618 SEC. 823 should also be applicable to traditional contractors regarding the Earned Value Management (EVM) System requirement, DFARS Part 252.234-7002.

NDIA's position was stated in my letter to NDIA President Norquist, Subj: Your Testimony at HASC Hearing and NDIA VITAL SIGNS 2025 Report (Report), dated February 28, 2025. The pertinent excerpts follow:

...your testimony at the HASC hearing, "Strengthening America's Defense Industrial Base (DIB), Workforce, and Production Lines to Deter War."

At the hearing, you said, "as the Congress moves forward to reduce regulatory burdens and incentivize novel contracting approaches to attract and retain new companies, it is important to *give traditional contractors access to the same streamlined system.*"

The Report included the following summary statements and recommendations:

**Summary:**

- Traditional DIB companies are weighed down with government policy, statutory, and regulatory requirements that both increase cost and stifle speed and innovation.

**Recommendation**

DoD must...harmonize and streamline the layers of compliance requirements. This must start with an industry engagement to nominate compliance requirements to target. While a review of acquisition processes that do not require a change in statute can start quickly, the biggest regulatory changes will require Congress to act.

**Conclusion**

Congress has acted. S. 5618 SEC. 823 targeted the EVM compliance requirement. So, please act to please Pres. Norquist who testified, "It is important to give traditional contractors access to the same streamlined system."



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