

4/22/2021

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to inform you of certain cyber-security requirements effective November 30<sup>th</sup> 2020.

Ross Name Plate suppliers in the US Government supply chain are to take necessary steps in ensuring compliance.

References:

[DFARS Case 2019-D041](#) dated 9/29/20, effective 11/30/20

[DFARS 252.204-7019](#) (Nov 2020) Notice of NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Requirements

[DFARS 252.204-7020](#) (Nov 2020) NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Requirements

**Background:** Ross Name Plate Company appreciates your previous efforts in ensuring compliance to the information security requirements of DFARS 252.204-7012. In addition to this, beginning November 30, 2020, DoD Contracting Officers will be required to include two new DFARS, 252.204-7019 and 252.204-7020, in all solicitations and contracts, with the exception of Commercial-Off-The-Shelf (COTS) items, requiring contractors to have and maintain an assessments score using [NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Methodology](#). These obligations flow through the entire DoD supply chain and 252.204-7020 provides that **Contractors may not award any subcontract subject to NIST SP 800-171 per 252.204-7012, unless the subcontractor has completed at least a Basic Assessment within the last three years.**

Please ensure that your organization is practicing the required Cyber Security throughout your organization immediately (IE: Controlled Unclassified information should be in compliance with NIST SP 800-171) or at a minimum have a POA (Plan of action) to get your organization compliant ASAP.

Brett Henderson

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General Manager

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