

March 21, 2020

The Honorable Marco Rubio
Chair
Committee on Small Business & Entrepreneurship
United States Senate
428A Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Ben Cardin
Ranking Member
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Dear Chair Rubio and Ranking Member Cardin:

We the undersigned send this letter in appreciation of your proposals to get capital in the hands of small businesses immediately. Federal government contractors face challenges that differ from the commercial sector, therefore, we support the following Committee proposals:

- Exclude SBA's socioeconomic programs, including the 8(a), women-owned, HUBZone and service-disabled veteran-owned programs toward the Office of Management and Budget's annual category management goals.
- Total sole-source award contract values to \$8 million for services and \$10 million for manufacturing per year over the life of a contract.
- Temporarily remove the requirement for contracting officers to conduct market research so that contracting officers may grant sole-source award contracts for small business programs, including the women-owned, HUBZone and service-disabled veteran-owned small business programs.
- Require federal agencies promptly pay small business prime contractors and contractors with small business subcontractors within 15 days, notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, for the duration of the President invoking the Defense Production Act in response to COVID-19.
- Inclusion of sick pay for employees that must be quarantined or care for a family member with coronavirus, as expenses for which the loan can be forgiven. This will permit companies to receive funds for sick pay for employees that are already impacted by coronavirus versus waiting for a reimbursement from the federal government.
- The extension of the new loan relief period from March 1 – December 31, 2020, recognizing the length of the federal contract cycle. This will assist small business federal contractors to respond to RFPs.

In addition, we urge you to:

- Consider a provision for small government contractors under the new sick leave and/or FMLA expansion for employees that are out due to qualified reasons to be treated as billable as if they are still working under these contracts. This will enable employees to remain on the payroll and not negatively impact the company's cash flow and ability to satisfy operational obligations.

- Enable inclusion of expenses to modify work environments for employee distancing and implement employee transition to work at home as expenses for which the loan can be forgiven.
- For functions under federal contracts in which telework is not an option, consider expanding operational hours so that child care may be easier to accommodate and it would reduce the number of individuals in offices at the same time.

Finally, we ask that Congress focus on the efforts of getting businesses and their employees back to work as the crisis abates. With respect to federal government contracts, small businesses will need additional protections to ensure that federal agencies allow adequate time to ramp up employees and additional work requirements as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

Thank you for your willingness to take bold steps to assist small businesses, especially federal contractors, during this challenging time.

Sincerely,

HUBZone Contractors National Council
 Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce (MCCC)
 Montgomery County Chamber Community Foundation
 Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP)
 National Veteran Small Business Coalition (NVSBC)
 GovEvolve
 Small Business Majority
 National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO)
 Small and Emerging Contractors Advisory Forum (SECAF)

A-S-K. Associates, Inc.	Kansas
A-Zone Environmental Services, LLC	West Virginia
Absolute Facility Solutions, LLC	Texas
ACC3 International, Inc.	California
Accountable Health, Inc.	Maryland
Ace Manufacturing and Parts Co. and Rokwell Industries	Missouri
ADP Consultants, Inc.	Maryland
Aegis Mechanical Corporation	Maryland
Aerial Data Service, Inc.	Oklahoma
AIKO Enterprises, Inc.	Florida
All-U-Need Personnel	District of Columbia
Alliance Group, Inc.	Georgia
AlphaHill, LLC	Maryland
Alyn, Inc.	Georgia
Anglin Consulting Group	District of Columbia
Anne Arundel County	Maryland
Arielle Management Group, LLC	Florida
Atlantic Transfer & Storage Co Inc.	South Carolina
Avanti Corporation	Virginia
Bean Shen Corporation	Florida
Beyond20	Arizona
Binary Group	Maryland

Black Viper Technologies, Inc.	Maryland
Blue Storm Associates, Inc. dba PEMDAS Technologies & Innovations	Virginia
Braswell Services LLC	Texas
BreakForth Solutions, Inc.	Virginia
Bridging Technologies	District of Columbia
Brooklee Management Group, LLC	Maryland
C&S Jones Group LLC	Maryland
Cadence Group	Georgia
Candid Home Health Care Services, LLC	Maryland
Carter-Lambert Divisions, LLC	Maryland
CEM Enterprises, LLC	Virginia
Cerulaxis dba A-Z Services	Virginia
CFR & Associates	California
Circuit Media LLC	Colorado
CivilityMS	Maryland
CMT Services, Inc.	Maryland
Coker Logistic Solutions	Virginia
Comunibuild	Maryland
Concord Crossroads LLC	Virginia
Contemporaries, Inc	Maryland
Cooper Building Services	Maryland
Crayons & Marketers	Tennessee
Creation Community Human Services	Michigan
Creative Visions, LLC	Virginia
Crestpoint Solutions, Inc.	California
CrewFacilities.com	Texas
CRISP LLC	Virginia
CSP Enterprises	Maryland
Cueto & Reed Inc.	Maryland
CW3RET Enterprise, LLC DBA EEC Solutions	Florida
Cyber Solutions Integration Inc	Florida
D&D Installations, LLC	Maryland
D&O Security Solutions, LLC	Virginia
Deli & Catering Concepts, Inc	Maryland
Delmock Technologies, Inc. (DTI)	Maryland
Design To Delivery Inc	Maryland
DGA Medical	Arizona
Digital Beachhead	Colorado
Direct Steel, LLC	Illinois
Dobbs Defense Solutions, LLC	Maryland
Dummars Consultants LLC	Virginia
Eagle Age Consulting, LLC	Maryland
EDVNS LLC	Virginia
EFK Group, LLC	New Jersey
EGA Associates	Pennsylvania
Emmaty, Inc.	Massachusetts

Enterprise Horizon Consulting Group	California
Envision2bWell, Inc.	Pennsylvania
Epoch Concepts LLC	Colorado
Erias Ventures, LLC	Maryland
Europa Cafe	New York
EVCO Partners, LP dba Burgoon Company	Texas
Ex-Nihilo Management	District of Columbia
Fairfield Technologies	Virginia
Fearless Solutions, LLC	Maryland
FedBiz IT Solutions	Virginia
First Signs Graphic Solutions	Texas
FJB Engineering	Maryland
Friends in transition counseling	Maryland
Geranios Enterprises Inc	Montana
Global Impact Consulting LLC	North Carolina
Global Services	District of Columbia
Gorby Peters Law	Georgia
GovContractPros	Maryland
GovTech	Maryland
GRD Consultants	Maryland
Guardians of Honor, LLC	Virginia
H2L Solutions	Alabama
Habitat for Humanity	Maryland
HRinMotion, LLC	Maryland
Human Potential Consultants, LLC	California
IdeaSpan, Inc.	North Carolina
iFOS Managing Consultants LLC	Maryland
iGov	Virginia
Imperial Cyber Group LLC	Maryland
Indigo Blue Construction, LLC	Georgia
Innova Strategies	Alabama
Inoventures, LLC, SciMetrika LLC	Virginia
Integrated Logistical Support, Inc. (ILSI Engineering)	Louisiana
Integrated Science Solutions, Inc.	Florida
Intercontinental Construction Contracting Inc.	New Jersey
InterMountain West Civil Constructor's, Inc.	Arizona
International Responder Systems LLC	Maryland
J R Smith and Associates	Tennessee
J&B Hartigan, Inc.	Virginia
JFL Consulting, LLC	Maryland
Johnson Security Bureau, Inc.	New York
Joint National Committee for Languages	Maryland
Jones PR	Oklahoma
JR Maley Engineering LLC	Maryland
Julie Lilliston Communications	Tennessee
Kaiser Permanente	Maryland
KayDev Technology, LLC	Texas

KD7 Enterprises Inc	North Carolina
Kenmar General Contracting	Florida
Kito Tye Lynn Business Consulting Group LLC	Maryland
KMK Construction	Florida
KMM Technologies, Inc.	Maryland
Knight Solutions	Maryland
KRJ Consulting, LLC	South Carolina
Language Directions LLC	New Jersey
LaunchPointPEO	Virginia
Law Offices of Robert A. Schuerger Co., LPA	Ohio
Leslie Saunders Insurance	Florida
Lexo Enterprise LLC	Florida
Lima Charlie Management & Analytics, Inc.	New Jersey
Lord and Tucker Management Consultants, LLC	Maryland
M. Davis & Sons Inc.	Delaware
Magnum Opus LLC	California
Magnus Diagnostics Laboratories, Inc.	Maryland
Managed Care Advisors	Maryland
Menlo Medical Mart, Inc.	California
MMN Consulting, LLC	Kentucky
MSC Management Services, LLC	Maryland
MSI, Inc.	Virginia
Nandinee Phookan Architect, PC	New York
Nationwide Pharmaceutical	Texas
Neutral Posture, Inc.	Texas
Office Design & Furnishings, LLC	Michigan
On The Marc Media	Maryland
Ops Tech Alliance, LLC	Maryland
OST Global Solutions, Inc.	Maryland
Packaging Tech LLC	Kansas
Panagora Group	Maryland
PARATUSEC LLC	Virginia
PBM Group, LLC	Illinois
Pearl River Technologies LLC	Mississippi
Pepburn, LLC	Maryland
Peregrine Solutions, Inc.	Virginia
Personalized Payroll Services	Texas
Phelps Industrial Products, LLC	Maryland
PilieroMazza PLLC	District of Columbia
Pointer Construction Group	Florida
Ponder Business Services, LLC	Georgia
Precise Software Solutions	Maryland
Prestige Analytics	California
Profile Partners LLC	Maryland
Pyramid Research & Technology, LLC	Maryland
Queen of Hearts CPR	Texas
R & M Staffing LLC	Alabama

Rebellis Development Group, LLC	New Mexico
Red Canyon Software, Inc.	Colorado
REHAB 2 PERFORM, LLC	Maryland
RIG Consulting, Inc.	Pennsylvania
Riverstone Enterprise Solutions, LLC	Maryland
RP Professional Services, LLC	Virginia
Ryden & Associates	Colorado
Ryzhka International LLC	Florida
Safe Haven Enterprises	Louisiana
Safeguard Security Solutions LLC	Georgia
Sarah Car Care, Inc	Pennsylvania
SciMetrika LLC, Inoventures LLC	Virginia
Secondary Solutions, Inc.	South Carolina
SECPRO, LLC	Georgia
SenseMakers LLC	California
Service Specialists	Mississippi
Simplifi Benefits, LLC	Kansas
Son Dance Ent. DBA Freight Air & Sea Transport	Georgia
Spartan Cyber Security LLC	New Mexico
Spectrum International, Inc.	Maryland
Spectrum Printing & Graphics	Maryland
Sterling Computers	South Dakota
Storage Strategies, Inc.	Virginia
Strategic Results	Maryland
Strategies for Small Business	California
Strategy and Management Services, Inc.	Virginia
Subsidium, Inc.	Virginia
Summit Insight	Virginia
Summit Services Incorporated	North Carolina
SynaVoice LLC	Virginia
Syntelligent Analytic Solutions, LLC	Virginia
T and T Consulting Services, Inc.	Maryland
T&G Commercial Cleaning, LLC	Maryland
TAC Integrated Solutions	Maryland
TargetGov	Maryland
Technals LLC	Georgia
Televergence Solutions Inc.	Tennessee
Testudo Logistics LLC	California
The Nolan Group	Maryland
The Setroc Group, Inc.	New Jersey
The Severson Group, LLC	California
The Zanfer Group, LLC	Maryland
Theta, LLC	Maryland
Top Source Talent, LLC	Colorado
Toshy AnalytIQs	District of Columbia
Transcend LLC	Alabama
Trigon Associates LLC	Louisiana

Trinity Technology Partners, Inc.	Maryland
Triple C - The A&E Group	Wyoming
TruBest Enterprise Solutions LLC	Virginia
TTC Inc.	Virginia
United Solutions	Maryland
Universal Salon Suites	Georgia
US Eco Products Corporation	Massachusetts
Vertical Jobs, Inc.	Virginia
Veteran Awards, Inc.	Washington
Visionary Consulting Partners, LLC	Virginia
Warner Construction Consultants, Inc.	Maryland
Washington Defense Corporation	Delaware
Washingtonian Coach Corporation	Maryland
Wildflower International	New Mexico
WJM Professional Services LLC	Maryland
Women's Business Development Center	Illinois
z Softech Solutions	Georgia
3 Reasons Consulting LLC	Virginia