



October 8, 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR: Edward Parkinson
Executive Director
First Responder Network Authority

FROM: 
Frederick J. Meny, Jr.
Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

SUBJECT: Request for Information Pursuant to the Inspector General Act
of 1978, as Amended

After several requests from our office to the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority) for information on AT&T subcontractors, we have yet to receive a complete list with all of the requested subcontractor attributes.

Most recently, on August 21, 2020, we received an incomplete Excel file from FirstNet Authority with AT&T subcontractor attributes. We reviewed the Excel file and found that the Supplier General worksheet with more than 900 vendors did not list any attributes. We also found that for the other two worksheets—i.e., “Top Suppliers” and “Suppliers \$1M to \$10M”—while they included most of the attributes we requested, they did not include the unique entity identifiers (DUNS number) and contract type for the subcontract award. Based on the provided worksheets, the [REDACTED] vendors who comprise the Top Suppliers and Suppliers \$1M to \$10M categories accounted for [REDACTED] percent of the total [REDACTED] in subcontract awards.

In order to assist our office in its oversight of FirstNet Authority, please provide the following documentation by Thursday, October 22, 2020:

- The DUNS number for all [REDACTED] subcontractors listed in the attachment to this memorandum, to the extent the subcontractor has received such an identifier.
- The contract type of the subcontract award for all [REDACTED] subcontractors listed in the attachment to this memorandum.

In addition, you may also produce any additional documentation or information deemed relevant to this request for information. If either the DUNS number or the contract type cannot be provided as requested, please explain the omission.

Further, you are obligated to cooperate with this request. Department Administrative Order 213-2, § 4.03 states that “[i]t is Department policy that all employees fully cooperate with the OIG so that each inspection and evaluation may be promptly conducted and brought to an appropriate conclusion,” and that “Departmental officials shall make every effort to assist the

OIG in achieving the objective of effective inspections and evaluations.” Similarly, Department Organization Order 10-13, § 4.01 states that “[t]he officers and employees of the Department shall cooperate fully with the officials and employees of the OIG and shall provide such information, assistance, and support without delay as is needed for the OIG to properly carry out the provisions of the [Inspector General] Act [of 1978].”

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (202) 482-1931 or Chris Rose, Director for Audit and Evaluation, at (202) 482-5558.

Attachment

cc: Mouncef Belcaid, Senior Director of Network Contract Technical Management,
FirstNet Authority
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Attachment.

Table of AT&T Supplier Information

	Supplier Name	Unique entity identifier for the subcontractor / DUNS number	Contract type of the subcontract award
■	[REDACTED]		
■	[REDACTED]		
■	[REDACTED]		
■	[REDACTED]		
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■	[REDACTED]		

[REDACTED]	Supplier Name	Unique entity identifier for the subcontractor / DUNS number	Contract type of the subcontract award
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		

Source: FirstNet Authority submitted AT&T Supplier Information on August 21, 2020