

Dear Supply Chain Manager,

The U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Office of Technology Evaluation (OTE), in coordination with the U.S. Department of Defense's U.S. Air Force Sustainment Center (AFSC), is conducting a survey and assessment of the supply chain networks affiliated with Air Force systems.

Your organization has been identified as a supplier in Air Force acquisition, to include the provision of material or services in support of maintenance, repair, and overhaul activities. Participation in this survey is mandatory to ensure a comprehensive dataset for the assessment. BIS has partnered with many sectors in the past and we anticipate similar cooperation on this effort.

To begin, download the required Microsoft Excel formatted survey and corresponding instructions at <u>https://respond.census.gov/airforcesupplychain</u>. To aid internal data collection, a PDF version of the survey can also be downloaded at this website, but make sure to only submit the Excel version of the survey.

Your organization is required by federal law (50 U.S.C. App. Sec. 2155) to complete and later submit the Excel survey within 30 calendar days of receipt of this letter. All information submitted to BIS is protected as Business Confidential under provisions of the Defense Production Act (DPA) of 1950, as amended, and will not be published or disclosed publicly other than in aggregate form with no mention of your specific organization. Such information is also protected from disclosure from Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests.

If you have any questions regarding the survey, e-mail or contact BIS staff at (202) 482-7808. E-mail (<u>AFSCsurvey@bis.doc.gov</u>) is the preferred method of contact and will allow for a detailed response to your questions. If you have any questions regarding the overall Defense Industrial Base program and its mission at BIS, feel free to contact me at 202-482-5936.

Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

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