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SUBJECT: **Replacement System for PADS Pre-Award Functions**

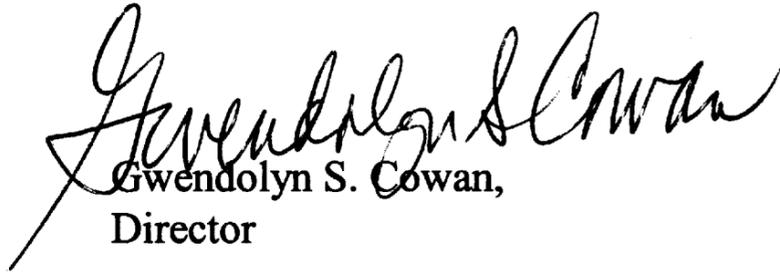
SUMMARY: During the Procurement Policy Advisory Group (PPAG) and Financial Assistance Advisory Council (FAAC) meetings in April this year, questions were raised regarding the elimination of the pre-award functions in the Procurement and Assistance Data System (PADS), and whether a replacement system would be available. The Office of Procurement and Assistance Management has developed a web-based application of a new system "Procurement Action Tracking System (PATs)" for contracting activities to use as they deem appropriate. The system and training will be available in the near future.

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➔ **Procurement Action Tracking System (PATs)**

PATS is a web-based application that has been developed to replace the pre-award functions of the PADS. The primary function of this application is to aid contracting personnel, analysts, negotiators, and program office officials in tracking the milestones and status of procurement and financial assistance actions from receipt of the action to award, including both new awards and modifications. Users must register in order to obtain access to the system, and user rights (read only, read and edit, etc.) will be controlled at each office by an administrator. Offices will be able to determine which type of actions they wish to track, as well as the milestones associated with each action.

More information will be made available during the training sessions for PADS scheduled for August and September at Headquarters and the Field. Questions concerning this new system should be addressed to David Hoexter at (202) 586-9062 or via e-mail at david.hoexter@pr.doe.gov.


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