

KEY MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

PUBLIC POLICY & ADVOCACY

- Gives members a stronger and more influential voice by using the coalition to address small business concerns with government agencies and large businesses.
- Provides a buffer zone on more controversial issues between SEBAC members and the government agencies being contacted.
- Provides access to Congress and congressional committees relevant to small business interests.
- Provides members a single contact for assistance in addressing issues of concern to their company and to the membership at large.

SHARING EXPERTISE & BEST PRACTICES

Affords members with a source of expertise, knowledge and insight in dealing with congressional, SBA, DOD and other government agencies through experienced member firms and liaison with a small business-focused law firm.

MENTORING

Provides emerging small businesses with mentoring possibilities with larger small businesses through a variety of sharing, networking and teaming opportunities.

NETWORKING

Presents a forum for networking with other small firms on key business functions, including discussions of capabilities and teaming via monthly teleconferences where even the newest member has an opportunity to introduce issues relevant to their company.

Our Members prove through their work that small businesses can get the job done faster, more efficiently and on budget.

SEBAC serves as a voice for the small business community doing environmental work for the federal government. SEBAC advocates for goals, policies, and regulations that foster a fair level of participation for small environmental businesses in the federal marketplace.



A Voice for
Small Environmental Businesses

BECOME A MEMBER

Full membership is open to small businesses principally engaged in the environmental industry with 750 or fewer employees or relevant dollar size standard.

Associate membership is open to organizations, other than providers of environmental consulting, engineering, and remediation services, that have an interest in the purposes of SEBAC.

Visit www.sebac.org and click on "Become a Member" to learn more about joining SEBAC and to download the membership application.

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The Small Environmental Business Action Coalition

ORGANIZATION

Established in 2001 as a nonprofit organization, the Small Environmental Business Action Coalition (SEBAC) acts as a unifying voice to address issues facing small environmental businesses.

MISSION

- Increase awareness among the general public, large businesses, and government agencies of the benefits of using small environmental businesses.
- Pursue policies, regulations and laws which foster a fair level of participation by small environmental businesses in the federal government marketplace.
- Foster high quality services to the federal government by small environmental businesses.
- Serve as a vehicle for information sharing and partnership opportunities for our members.

COMMITTEES

THE ACQUISITION STRATEGY COMMITTEE strives to position SEBAC members to participate as prime contractors or team members on federal acquisitions that are slated under environmental service and environmental remediation NAICS codes 541620 and 562910 and other environmental NAICS codes relevant to its members.

The Committee involves the acquiring and sharing of pertinent information with and among members for the purpose of influencing federal acquisition strategies, getting pre-intelligence on acquisitions and enabling members to better evaluate, position and team on procurements. The Committee with its Subcommittees on federal agencies (AFCEC, DOE, EPA, NAVFAC, USACE) and small business programs (8(a), HUBZone, VOSB and WOSB) provide excellent opportunities for members to get involved.

THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE seeks to maximize the strength and unity of the coalition by promoting membership, maintaining an Internet presence, arranging informal gatherings at conferences where a significant number of SEBAC members are in attendance, and taking an active role in planning the annual membership meeting.

ADVOCACY IN ACTION

In response to the EPA's Remedial Acquisition Framework (RAF), SEBAC requested EPA wait to issue RFPs for the Remediation Environmental Services (RES) and Environmental Services & Operation (ESO) suites until after the Design and Engineering Services (DES) suite is awarded. EPA's response to this request included a plan to release the three separate contracts in a staggered approach starting with the DES and followed by the ESO and RES. EPA's agreement to stagger the RFPs for these three suites alleviated the additional effort on small businesses to respond to multiple opportunities at once.

The SBA's enactment of the All Small Mentor-Protégé program generated considerable interest and some concern within the small environmental business community. SEBAC scheduled a presentation with an SBA Business Opportunity Specialist from the SBA District Office in New Jersey to provide insight on this program and answer questions posted by the SEBAC Membership.

