

August 23, 2024

RE: Declaration of Emergency for Service/Staffing for MACC System

WorkForce West Virginia (WFWV) submitted a WV65 for approval for a direct award on Tuesday 8-6-24 for the referenced services, approval of the direct award was received on Monday 8-19-24. The issue is that under a new directive all purchases over \$50,000 must be given prior approval by the Secretary of Commerce before release of any solicitation by WFWV. To date, we are awaiting the Secretary's approval and Peraton has notified WFWV that services from their staff will be halted upon the expiration of the current contract unless a new contract is in place. Once the Secretary of Commerce's approval is given the direct award will be published and finalized within the thirty days of this emergency contract.

As given in the justification for the direct award, these services are crucial for the agency while the agency secures in-house staffing, and the knowledge transfer is completed by Peraton.

WFWV is declaring an emergency with Peraton for thirty days in the amount of \$45,520.00. Due to each emergency declaration standing on its own merits and not an aggregate total, this emergency will fall under the agency delegated authority threshold. The Agency will process all required documents within wvOASIS in accordance with the guidelines published in Purchasing's Policy and Procedures Handbook for Agency delegated emergencies.

Sincerely,

Scott A. Adkins, Acting Commissioner