

*Contiguous Counties (Economic Injury Loans Only):* Maryland: Dorchester, Wicomico, Worcester.  
Virginia: Accomack.  
The Interest Rates are:

	Percent
<i>For Physical Damage:</i>	
Homeowners With Credit Available Elsewhere .....	3.375
Homeowners Without Credit Available Elsewhere .....	1.688
Businesses With Credit Available Elsewhere .....	6.000
Businesses Without Credit Available Elsewhere .....	4.000
Non-Profit Organizations With Credit Available Elsewhere ...	3.125
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere .....	3.000
<i>For Economic Injury:</i>	
Businesses & Small Agricultural Cooperatives Without Credit Available Elsewhere .....	4.000
Non-Profit Organizations Without Credit Available Elsewhere .....	3.000

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 134258 and for economic injury is 134260.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

**James E. Rivera,**

*Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.*

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**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

**[Disaster Declaration #13374 and #13375]**

**New York Disaster Number NY-00131**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 3.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of New York (FEMA-4085-DR), dated 11/03/2012.

*Incident:* Hurricane Sandy.  
*Incident Period:* 10/27/2012 through 11/08/2012,  
*Effective Date:* 12/18/2012.  
*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* 01/02/2013.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* 08/05/2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing And Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance,

U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for Private Non-Profit organizations in the State of New York, dated 11/03/2012, is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster.

Primary Counties: Greene.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

**Joseph P. Loddo,**

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**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

**[Disaster Declaration #13369 and #13370]**

**Connecticut Disaster Number CT-00028**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 2.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Connecticut (FEMA-4087-DR), dated 10/30/2012.

*Incident:* Hurricane Sandy.  
*Incident Period:* 10/27/2012 through 11/08/2012.  
*Effective Date:* 12/17/2012.  
*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* 01/28/2013.

*EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date:* 07/31/2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing And Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for the State of Connecticut, dated 10/30/2012 is hereby amended to extend the deadline for filing applications for physical damages as a result of this disaster to 01/28/2013.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

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**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

**[Disaster Declaration #13394 and #13395]**

**Maryland Disaster Number MD-00025**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 2.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for Public Assistance Only for the State of Maryland (FEMA-4091-DR), dated 11/20/2012.

*Incident:* Hurricane Sandy.  
*Incident Period:* 10/26/2012 through 11/04/2012.

*Effective Date:* 12/17/2012.  
*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* 01/21/2013.

*Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date:* 08/20/2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing And Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alan Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for Private Non-Profit organizations in the State of Maryland, dated 11/20/2012, is hereby amended to include the following areas as adversely affected by the disaster.

*Primary Counties:* Carroll, Montgomery.  
All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

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**Joseph P. Loddo,**

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**SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

**[Disaster Declaration #13367 and #13368]**

**New Jersey Disaster Number NJ-00033**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Amendment 4.

**SUMMARY:** This is an amendment of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of New Jersey (FEMA-4086-DR), dated 10/30/2012.

*Incident:* Hurricane Sandy.

*Incident Period:* 10/26/2012 through 11/08/2012.

*Effective Date:* 12/18/2012.

*Physical Loan Application Deadline Date:* 01/30/2013.

*EIDL Loan Application Deadline Date:* 07/31/2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice of the President's major disaster declaration for the State of New Jersey, dated 10/30/2012 is hereby amended to extend the deadline for filing applications for physical damages as a result of this disaster to 01/30/2013.

All other information in the original declaration remains unchanged.

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Docket Number SBA 2012-0019]

### Request for Proposal Platform Pilot

**AGENCY:** Small Business Administration

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Small Business Administration (SBA) is announcing a pilot where federal agencies will test a new request for proposal (RFP) platform (RFP-EZ) to streamline the process through which the government buys web design and related technology services from small businesses for acquisitions valued at or below the simplified acquisition threshold (SAT). RFP-EZ is one of five projects sponsored by the Office of Science and Technology Policy's Presidential Innovation Fellows Program, which leverages the ingenuity of leading problem solvers from across America

together with federal innovators to tackle projects that aim to fuel job creation, save taxpayers money, and significantly improve how the federal government serves the American people.

Under the RFP-EZ pilot, which will initially run from December 28, 2012 through May 1, 2013, agencies will identify individual procurements valued at or below the simplified acquisition threshold that can be set aside for small businesses to test a suite of functional tools for: (1) Simplifying the development of statements of work, (2) improving agency access to information about small businesses, (3) enabling small businesses to submit quotes, bids or proposals (collectively referred to as proposals) electronically in response to a solicitation posted on Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps); (4) enhancing efficiencies for evaluating proposals, and (5) improving how information (including prices paid by federal agencies) is captured and stored. The pilot will be conducted in accordance with existing laws and regulations. Interested parties are encouraged to review and comment on the functionality of RFP-EZ, as described at [www.sba.gov/rfpez](http://www.sba.gov/rfpez) and highlighted in this notice. Responses to this notice will be considered for possible refinements to the RFP-EZ platform during the pilot and as part of the evaluation of the benefits and costs of making RFP-EZ a permanent platform fully integrated with FedBizOpps, the System for Award Management and agency contract writing systems.

**DATES:** *Comment Date:* Interested parties should submit comments in writing to one of the addresses below on or before March 28, 2013.

*Effective Date:* This pilot RFP EZ initiative will be effective on December 28, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit comments only (do not submit proposals) via one of the following methods:

- *Online at:* [www.sba.gov/rfpez](http://www.sba.gov/rfpez)  
Please include your name, company name (if any), and cite "RFP-EZ initiative" in your correspondence.
- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Identify your comments by SBA Docket Number SBA 2012-0019 and follow instructions for submitting comments. SBA will post all comments to this notice on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). If you wish to submit confidential business information (CBI) as defined in the User Notice at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), you must submit such information to Sean J. Greene, Associate Administrator for

Investment and Special Advisor for Innovation, 409 Third Street, SW., Washington, DC 20416, or send an email to [rfpez@sba.gov](mailto:rfpez@sba.gov). Highlight the information that you consider to be CBI and explain why you believe SBA should hold this information as confidential. SBA will review your information and determine whether it will make the information public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sean J. Greene at 202-205-6513. You may also email questions to [rfpez@sba.gov](mailto:rfpez@sba.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Background

Over the past two decades, the Federal Government has taken increasing advantage of technology to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the acquisition lifecycle, from performing market research to recording contractor performance information. A number of government-wide systems provide support for functions commonly performed by all agencies. For more than 10 years, "FedBizOpps" (accessible at [www.fedbizopps.gov](http://www.fedbizopps.gov)) has served as the single "one-stop" government-wide point of entry for posting solicitations over \$25,000, allowing commercial business suppliers to search, monitor and retrieve opportunities in federal government markets. FedBizOpps has significantly enhanced access to information on government acquisitions by capturing a wide variety of business documents associated with upcoming acquisition opportunities—including notices, solicitations, and other related acquisition information maintained at central points or on agency Web sites. FedBizOpps allows potential offerors to search and download information from a central point using a consistent process to locate business opportunities that they can then evaluate for suitability. It allows government buyers to streamline the preparation and issuance of notices and solicitation information.

While FedBizOpps has enabled agencies and their contractors to make important advances over the paper-based processes that it replaced, it currently does not address a number of functionalities that could further improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the federal acquisition process for both sellers and buyers. This limitation is especially problematic for small businesses, including start-up small businesses considering the federal marketplace (new entrants), and those that are non-traditional government contractors. All of these businesses are