

Inspection Report

The Certificate of Competency Program

April 1993

Summary

The Certificate of Competency (COC) Program provides an appeal process to assure that small business concerns are given a fair opportunity to compete for and win Government contracts. At the request of the Chairman of the House Committee on Small Business, an inspection was conducted of the COC program. We recommended that SBA take steps to correct significant misperceptions in the Federal procurement community about the program, that SBA develop a response to threats posed by the changing procurement environment, and that two legislative actions be taken to improve the efficiency of the COC process.

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