TO: State Agency Fiscal and Budget Officers

FROM: Ed Ross, Controller
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SUBJECT: Federal Government Transition from DUNS Number to New Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)

On April 4, 2022, the federal government will stop using the DUNS (9 characters) number to uniquely identify entities. At that point, entities doing business with the federal government will use a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) (12 characters) created in SAM.gov. Entities will no longer have to go to a third-party website (Dun & Bradstreet) to obtain their identifier. This transition allows the federal government to streamline the entity identification and validation process, making it easier and less burdensome for entities to do business with the federal government.

Agencies doing business with the federal government can learn more about this transition and how to find or obtain their UEI by visiting the U.S. General Services Administration website.

If additional assistance is needed please contact Joe McDaniel, Pam Howarah, or Gina Shall with the Office of the Controller, Financial Reporting Branch.