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## **GSA Receives 2-Year Extension of Their OMB Executive Agent Designation**

On September 20, 2000, GSA again received a 2-year extension to its status of executive agent allowing GSA the authority to award and administer IT delivery and Government-wide information technology acquisitions for federal agencies .

The Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 ("Clinger-Cohen Act") 40 U.S. C.1412(e), authorizes the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to designate "one or more heads of executive agencies as executive agents for Government-wide acquisition contracts for IT (GWACs)".

As an executive agent, GSA is author-

ized to award and administer task and delivery order contracts on behalf of Federal agencies for government-wide acquisitions of IT (as defined in section 5002(3) on the Clinger-Cohen Act, 40 U.S.C. 1401(3)) through existing GSA government-wide IT acquisition programs. It is further limited to contracts awarded under programs that are funded on a reimbursable basis through the Information Technology Fund established at 40 U.S.C. 757 and have already been approved by OMB or are approved in by OMB in writing as part of the annual cost and capital plan for that fund.

GSA was originally designated as an executive agent in 1996 and has received redesignations that now extend the period through April 1, 2002.

To read the letter in its entirety, please check our web site at:  
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