



ARRA GUIDANCE UPDATE June 28, 2012



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Reporting Deadlines for ARRA 1512 Twelfth Quarterly Reporting Period

The reporting timeline for the 12th round of 1512 quarterly reporting is now available. **The initial submission period will run from July 1st through the 10th, however, the Recovery Act and Transparency Board will allow recipients an extended submission period until July 14th. Recipients will have from the 15th to the 18th to review the data they submitted and make any corrections necessary. The federal agency review period will begin on July 19th – 29th. During this time agencies and recipients will communicate (both ways) and federal agencies can unlock records for changes.** Data will be posted to Recovery.Gov on July 30th. From Aug 2 through August 27th, the most recent round of records will be unlocked and available for recipient changes during the Continuous Q&A period. Just like the past “continuous Q & A” periods, corrected data will be updated on Recovery.gov every other Wednesday until September 19th.

July 1-10	Initial Submission Period
July 11-14	Extended Submission Period
July 15-18	Recipient Review and Corrections
July 19-29	Federal Agency Review and Recipient Corrections
July 30	Data is published on Recovery.gov
August 2 – August 27	Continuous QA Period
September 19	Final Continuous QA data published on Recovery.gov

CCR Registration (UPDATE)

At the end of July 2012, the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) system is going away. CCR, along with Federal Agency Registration (FedReg), the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA), and the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS), will be migrated into the new System for Award Management, or SAM. For purposes of Federal reporting this July, you will **NOT** need to have registered on the SAM site, but you will still be required to have a valid CCR registration. To help you better understand how this will work, SAM training will be available online in early May. Please visit SAM.gov for more information.

Below are the FAQs which can be found on the CCR Website

- *I have a current CCR registration. What do I do?*

You do not need to do anything right away. When it is time to renew your current CCR registration, you will do it in SAM.

- *What will happen to my data?*

Your data will be migrated from CCR into SAM. It will be in SAM when you are ready to access it. When it is time to renew your registration, you will go to SAM.gov, create a simple SAM user account, and follow the online instructions to validate and update your information.

- *When do I need to register for a user account in SAM?*

You only need to register for a user account in SAM when it is time to begin updating your current registration. You do not need to do anything right away.

- *What is the timeline for the CCR transition to SAM?*

The transition to SAM will be at the end of July. The CCR Website will provide more information as that date approaches.

- *Wasn't SAM scheduled to 'go-live' on May 29, 2012? What does the delay mean for me?*

Yes. The delay means we will continue with business as usual with CCR/FedReg, ORCA, and EPLS until the end of July. You will continue to manage your registration in CCR. There will be no change until the end of July.

- *Where can I find more information about SAM?*

Some training material is already posted to SAM.gov and will be updated closer to the implementation date. System overview briefings are there now. Please visit SAM.gov to learn more.

Reminder of *Certification to the Governor* Requirement

As agencies/institutions enter the Twelfth quarterly reporting period, they are reminded that the *Certification to the Governor* Forms must be submitted for each grant/program managed. Please send them to alabamastimulus@finance.alabama.gov prior to reporting at FederalReporting.gov.

Please note that if the certifying official manages multiple grants/programs, it will be acceptable for that official to submit a single certification for all grants/programs, rather than completing multiple, individual certifications. The single certification form must include the name of each grant/program that is being certified and contain all appropriate signatures. The certification ensures that the data submitted by state entities to the Federal government is timely, accurate and responsive to all government requirements. Further information regarding the *Certification to the Governor* can be found on Page 3 of the Third Guidance from the Finance Director's office, dated July 8, 2009.