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Quarterly Public Meeting

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

DATES: January 25, 2024, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held virtually only via Zoom webinar.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled is an independent government agency operating as the U.S. AbilityOne Commission. It oversees the AbilityOne Program, which provides employment opportunities through Federal contracts for people who are blind or have significant disabilities in the manufacture and delivery of products and services to the Federal Government. The Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. chapter 85) authorizes the contracts.

Registration: Attendees not requesting speaking time should register not later than 11:59 p.m. ET on January 24, 2024. Attendees requesting speaking time must register not later than 11:59 p.m. ET on January 16, 2024, and use the comment fields in the registration form to specify the intended speaking topic/s. The registration link will be available by December 15, 2023, on the Commission's home page, www.abilityone.gov, under News and Events.

Commission Statement: This regular quarterly meeting will include updates from the Commission Chairperson, Executive Director, and Inspector General.

Public Participation: The public engagement session will address how the AbilityOne Program supports, and can increasingly support, the Federal Government's hiring of individuals with disabilities. Scheduled speakers will include Federal agency partners as well as former AbilityOne Program employees who now work for the Federal Government.

The Commission invites public comments and suggestions on the public engagement topic. During registration, you may choose to submit comments, or you may request speaking time at the meeting. The Commission may invite some attendees who submit advance comments to discuss their comments during the meeting. Comments submitted will be reviewed by staff and the Commission members before the meeting. Comments posted in the chat box during the meeting will be shared with the Commission members after the meeting. The Commission is not subject to the requirements of 5 U.S.C. 552(b); however, the Commission published this notice to encourage the broadest possible participation in its meeting.

Personal Information: Speakers should not include any information that they do not want publicly disclosed.

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