



**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN**  
*Office of the District Court Executive*

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**NOTICE TO VENDORS – LAPSE IN APPROPRIATIONS**

To All Vendors:

The U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan is issuing this notice to apprise the Judiciary vendor community of Judiciary-wide plans regarding contract actions that are necessary since contract funding is affected by a lapse in appropriations, better known as a federal government shutdown.

Unless notified in writing by a contracting officer, all Judiciary vendors must continue to fulfill their contractual obligations to the Judiciary in the event of a government shutdown, i.e., vendors must continue to comply with all terms, conditions, and delivery and performance requirements specified in their contracts during the period covered by a lapse in appropriations.

The Judiciary will not provide a separate notification or communication for contracts that will not be affected by the lapse in appropriations.

The budget for the upcoming fiscal year has not yet been enacted, which could result in a temporary loss of funding for contracted supplies and services and limit the Judiciary's ability to manage its contracts.

During a government shutdown, non-excepted government activities will cease and performance under contracts will be affected. A shutdown, a sovereign act of the government, may prevent vendors and the Judiciary from fulfilling their contractual obligations to each other due to circumstances beyond their control. In other cases, the government may cancel planned procurements, reduce the scope of contracts, stop work under contracts, or terminate contracts.

Should Judiciary contracting officers determine that any of these actions is necessary, or that vendors or the Judiciary will be unable to fulfill their obligations due to a shutdown, a contracting officer will provide vendors with prompt notice and instructions for each affected contract.

Thank you for your continued support and business with the federal Judiciary, and for your cooperation as we work together to manage the lapse in appropriations.

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