Invitation to Self-Identify for Veterans

Why are you being asked to complete this form?
Because we do business with the government, we must reach out to current employees, new hires and applicants, and take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment: (1) disabled veterans; (2) recently separated veterans; (3) active duty wartime or campaign badge veterans; and (4) Armed Forces service medal veterans. These classifications are defined as follows:

Definitions:

- **A “disabled veteran”** is one of the following:
  1. a veteran of the U.S. military, ground, naval or air service who is entitled to compensation (or who but for the receipt of military retired pay would be entitled to compensation) under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; or
  2. a person who was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability.
  
  A “recently separated veteran” means any veteran during the three-year period beginning on the date of such veteran's discharge or release from active duty in the U.S. military, ground, naval, or air service.

- **An “active duty wartime or campaign badge veteran”** means a veteran who served on active duty in the U.S. military, ground, naval or air service during a war, or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized under the laws administered by the Department of Defense.

- **An “Armed forces service medal veteran”** means a veteran who, while serving on active duty in the U.S. military, ground, naval or air service, participated in a United States military operation for which an Armed Forces service medal was awarded pursuant to Executive Order 12985.

Protected veterans may have additional rights under USERRA - the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act. In particular, if you were absent from employment in order to perform service in the uniformed service, you may be entitled to be re-employed by your employer in the position you would have obtained with reasonable certainty if not for the absence due to service. For more information, call the U.S. Department of Labor’s Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS), toll-free, at 1-866-4-USA-DOL.

To help us measure how well we are doing, we are asking you to tell us if you are an individual as defined above. Completing this form is voluntary, but we hope that you will choose to fill it out. If you are applying for a job, any answer you give will be kept private and will not be used against you in any way.

**APPLICANT**

If you believe you belong to any of the categories of protected veterans listed above, please indicate by checking the appropriate box below. As a Government contractor subject to VEVRAA, we request this information in order to measure the effectiveness of the outreach and positive recruitment efforts we undertake pursuant to VEVRAA.

[ ] I IDENTIFY AS ONE OR MORE OF THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF PROTECTED VETERAN LISTED ABOVE

[ ] I AM NOT A PROTECTED VETERAN

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**Veteran Self-Identification Form**
NEW HIRE/CURRENT EMPLOYEE

If you already work for us, your answer will not be used against you in any way. Because a person may become disabled at any time, we are required to ask all of our employees to update their information every five years. You may voluntarily self-identify as having a disability on this form based on your circumstances at this time, regardless of whether you identified as having a disability earlier.

If you believe you belong to any of the categories of protected veterans listed above, please indicate by checking the appropriate box below.

I BELONG TO THE FOLLOWING CLASSIFICATIONS OF PROTECTED VETERANS (CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY):

[ ] DISABLED VETERAN

[ ] RECENTLY SEPARATED VETERAN  DATE SEPARATED FROM MILITARY SERVICE:________________________________________

[ ] ACTIVE WARTIME OR CAMPAIGN BADGE VETERAN

[ ] ARMED FORCES SERVICE MEDAL VETERAN

[ ] I am a protected veteran, but I choose not to self-identify the classifications to which I belong.

[ ] I am NOT a protected veteran.

If you are a disabled veteran it would assist us if you tell us whether there are accommodations we could make that would enable you to perform the essential functions of the job, including special equipment, changes in the physical layout of the job, changes in the way the job is customarily performed, provision of personal assistance services or other accommodations. This information will assist us in making reasonable accommodations for your disability.

Submission of this information is voluntary and refusal to provide it will not subject you to any adverse treatment. The information provided will be used only in ways that are not inconsistent with the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended.

The information you submit will be kept confidential, except that (i) supervisors and managers may be informed regarding restrictions on the work or duties of disabled veterans, and regarding necessary accommodations; (ii) first aid and safety personnel may be informed, when and to the extent appropriate, if you have a condition that might require emergency treatment; and (iii) Government officials engaged in enforcing laws administered by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, or enforcing the Americans with Disabilities Act, may be informed.

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Your Name (Print legibly)      Today’s Date (Month/Day/Year)

SUNY IDENTIFIERS:

☐  I AM A CURRENT EMPLOYEE
   Title of position:________________________________________________________

☐  I AM APPLYING FOR A POSITION
   Title of position:________________________________________________________