

(v) increasing and improving training and counseling services provided to small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans; and

(vi) making other improvements relating to the support for veterans business development by the Federal Government; and

(c) not later than 1 year after its first meeting and annually thereafter, forward to the President a report on the performance of its functions, including any proposals developed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

SEC. 4. *General Provisions.* (a) The Small Business Administration shall provide funding and administrative support for the Task Force to the extent permitted by law and within existing appropriations.

(b) Nothing in this order shall be construed to impair or otherwise effect [sic]:

(i) authority granted by law to an executive department, agency, or the head thereof; and

(ii) functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.

(c) Insofar as the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.) (FACA), may apply to the Task Force, any functions of the President under the FACA, except for those in section 6 of the FACA, shall be performed by the Administrator in accordance with guidelines issued by the Administrator of General Services.

(d) This order is not intended to and does not create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

BARACK OBAMA.

EXTENSION OF TERM OF INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE ON  
VETERANS SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Term of Interagency Task Force on Veterans Small Business Development extended until Sept. 30, 2021, by Ex. Ord. No. 13889, Sept. 27, 2019, 84 F.R. 52743, set out as a note under section 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

Previous extensions of term of Interagency Task Force on Veterans Small Business Development were contained in the following prior Executive Orders:

Ex. Ord. No. 13811, Sept. 29, 2017, 82 F.R. 46363, extended term until Sept. 30, 2019.

Ex. Ord. No. 13708, Sept. 30, 2015, 80 F.R. 60271, extended term until Sept. 30, 2017.

Ex. Ord. No. 13652, Sept. 30, 2013, 78 F.R. 61817, extended term until Sept. 30, 2015.

Ex. Ord. No. 13591, Nov. 23, 2011, 76 F.R. 74623, extended term until Sept. 30, 2013.

DEFINITIONS

Pub. L. 106-50, title I, §103(b), Aug. 17, 1999, 113 Stat. 235, provided that: “In this Act [see Short Title of 1999 Amendments note set out under section 631 of this title], the definitions contained in section 3(q) of the Small Business Act [15 U.S.C. 632(q)], as added by this section, apply.”

**§ 657c. Repealed. Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title XVI, § 1699(a), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 2092**

Section, Pub. L. 85-536, §2[33], as added Pub. L. 106-50, title II, §202(a), Aug. 17, 1999, 113 Stat. 236; amended Pub. L. 106-554, §1(a)(9) [title VIII, §808], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-706; Pub. L. 108-447, div. B, title VI, §636, div. K, title I, §§143(a), 146, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2922, 3455; Pub. L. 110-186, title I, §103(a), Feb. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 625, established the National Veterans Business Development Corporation.

REPRESENTATION OF AUTHORIZATION

Pub. L. 112-239, div. A, title XVI, §1699(b), Jan. 2, 2013, 126 Stat. 2092, provided that: “On and after the date of enactment of this Act [Jan. 2, 2013], the National Veter-

ans Business Development Corporation and any successor thereto may not represent that the corporation is federally chartered or in any other manner authorized by the Federal Government.”

**§ 657d. Federal and State Technology Partnership Program**

**(a) Definitions**

In this section and section 657e of this title, the following definitions apply:

**(1) Applicant**

The term “applicant” means an entity, organization, or individual that submits a proposal for an award or a cooperative agreement under this section.

**(2) Business advice and counseling**

The term “business advice and counseling” means providing advice and assistance on matters described in section 657e(c)(2)(B) of this title to small business concerns to guide them through the SBIR and STTR program process, from application to award and successful completion of each phase of the program.

**(3) Catastrophic incident**

The term “catastrophic incident” means a major disaster that is comparable to the description of a catastrophic incident in the National Response Plan of the Administration, or any successor thereto.

**(4) FAST program**

The term “FAST program” means the Federal and State Technology Partnership Program established under this section.

**(5) Mentor**

The term “mentor” means an individual described in section 657e(c)(2) of this title.

**(6) Mentoring Network**

The term “Mentoring Network” means an association, organization, coalition, or other entity (including an individual) that meets the requirements of section 657e(c) of this title.

**(7) Recipient**

The term “recipient” means a person that receives an award or becomes party to a cooperative agreement under this section.

**(8) SBIR program**

The term “SBIR program” has the same meaning as in section 638(e)(4) of this title.

**(9) State**

The term “State” means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa.

**(10) STTR program**

The term “STTR program” has the same meaning as in section 638(e)(6) of this title.

**(b) Establishment of Program**

The Administrator shall establish a program to be known as the Federal and State Technology Partnership Program, the purpose of which shall be to strengthen the technological competitiveness of small business concerns in the States.