



DIRECT AWARD – HOW TO

5 STEP DIRECT AWARD PROCESS

Federal customers can issue a sole source contract to **Island Empire Technology Systems, LLC** a Native Hawaiian Owned (NHO owned 8(a) dba **DIGITALSPEC Technologies** by following these simple steps.

- Send an 8(a) Offering Letter to SBA per the instructions in our template. (Click here to download an Offering Letter Template)
- Wait to receive the SBA's Letter of Approval (approximately 3 days)
- Send Request for Proposal to DIGITALSPEC, LLC
- DIGITALSPEC submits proposal
- Award contract to DIGITALSPEC

DIGITALSPEC SOLE SOURCE ADVANTAGES

As an 8(a) Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO) DIGITALSPEC offers unique contracting benefits like other Native American owned businesses. These benefits include:

- **\$22M Direct Awards.** DIGITALSPEC, LLC may receive direct awards up to \$22M that exceed normal SBA thresholds per [13 CFR 124.506\(b\)\(2\)](#)
- **\$100M Direct Awards.** Effective March 17th 2020, DIGITALSPEC, LLC may receive direct awards up to \$100M [per the following class deviation](#)
- **Awards cannot be protested.** Awards to DIGITALSPEC, LLC cannot be protested per [13 CFR 124.517\(a\)](#)
- **No procurement competition.** There is no requirement to compete procurements to DIGITALSPEC, LLC before a sole source award per [13 CFR 124.506\(b\)\(3\)](#)
- **Follow-on to competitive awards can be sole sourced.** As an NHO, we may receive sole source awards after a contract was competitively awarded in the 8(a) program
- **Faster procurements via Alpha Contracting.** DIGITALSPEC can work jointly with the Government to reduce procurement time, develop the statement of work, and provide a better solution via "Alpha Contracting"

CONTACT US



Delivering value added services and technology solutions that enhance our customer's business practices and reputation.

Island Empire Technology Systems, LLC a Native Hawaiian Owned (NHO) owned 8(a) dba DIGITALSPEC Technologies. We are a CMMI DEV & SVC Level 3, ISO 9001, 20000, 27001 certified technology corporation, more than 100 years of combined business and IT experience, deep domain expertise, and rich technical knowledge.

15+

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

9+

LOCATION PRESENCE

100%

FEDERAL CLEARED STAFF



TOP SECRET CLEARED

10+

AVG. CONSULTING STAFF EXPERIENCE

8(a) Case #:

C00rQh

DUNS:

117878229

CAGE:

8WD37

SBA 8(a) Entrance Date:

03/22/2022

SBA 8(a) Exit Date:

03/21/2031

SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS:

- Native Hawaiian Organization (NHO) Owned
- Minority Owned, SBA 8(a) certified

CERTIFICATIONS:

- CMMI SVC Level 3
- CMMI DEV Level 3
- ISO 9001, 20000, 27001

NAICS CODES:

541611, 541618, 611430, 541511, 541690, 561499, 541512, 541990, 488490, 541513, 561110, 518210, 541519, 561312, 541430, 541613, 561410, 541612, 541614