



**Afghanistan Value Chain – Livestock  
(AVC-Livestock)**

Request for Quotation (RFQ)

RFQ-AVCL-KBL-22-0045

**Provision and Delivery of Pelleted Floating Feed for Trout Fish and Fishing Uniform**

Issue Date: October 6, 2022

**WARNING:** Prospective Offerors who have received this document from a source other than DAI/AVC-Livestock Project should immediately contact [AVCLbids@dai.com](mailto:AVCLbids@dai.com) and provide their name and mailing address/email in order that amendments to the RFQ or other communications can be sent directly to them. Any prospective Offeror who fails to register their interest assumes complete responsibility if they do not receive communications prior to the closing date. Any amendments to this solicitation will be issued and posted via email.

**Offerors submitting incomplete proposals may be disqualified.**

## 1. Synopsis of the Request for Quotation

DAI, implementer of the USAID-funded AVC-Livestock project, invites qualified vendors to submit quotations for provision and delivery of trout fish pelleted floating feed and fishing uniform.

1. RFQ No.	RFQ-AVCL-KBL-22-0045
2. Issue Date	October 6, 2022
3. Title	Provision and Delivery of Pelleted Floating Feed for Trout Fish and Fishing Uniforms
4. Submission	<i>Due to COVID-19, all submissions must be done electronically.</i> Please submit your quotation by email to: <a href="mailto:AVCLbids@dai.com">AVCLbids@dai.com</a> Subject should be: "Bidder Company Name – RFQ-AVCL-KBL-22-0045" <i>Sending to other e-mail addresses may lead to disqualification of your bid.</i>
5. Deadline for Receipt of Quotes	<b>4:00 PM, Kabul local time on October 19, 2022</b>
6. Point of Contact	<a href="mailto:AVCLbids@dai.com">AVCLbids@dai.com</a> Each Bidder is responsible for reading very carefully and fully understanding the terms and conditions of this RFQ. It is each interested bidder's responsibility to check for any modification or update prior to submitting their final bid.
7. Anticipated Award Type	<b>Firm Fixed Price Purchase Order (FFPPO)</b> Fixed Price Purchase Order An award resulting from this RFQ is anticipated to be a fixed price purchase order. The anticipated specific terms and conditions are as follows: Payment will be made by bank wire transfer to the company's Bank Account, after complete supply and delivery to the specified location, and confirmation by the relevant AVCL staff member and partner. Issuance of this RFQ in no way obligates DAI to award a subcontract or purchase order and bidders will not be reimbursed for any costs associated with the preparation of their bid.  <b>Government Withholding Tax for Afghan Based Companies</b> Pursuant to Article 72 in the Afghanistan Tax Law, effective March 21, 2009, DAI is required to withhold "contractor" taxes from the gross amounts payable to all Afghan for-profit subcontractors/vendors. In accordance with this requirement, DAI shall withhold two percent (2%) tax from all gross invoices to Afghan subcontractors/vendors under this Agreement with active AISA or Ministry of Commerce license. For subcontractors/vendors without an active AISA or Ministry of Commerce license, DAI shall withhold seven percent (7%) "Contractor" taxes per current Afghanistan Tax Law. Before signing the purchase order, the vendor will provide a copy of the organization's AISA or Ministry of Commerce license and TIN (Tax Identification Number). Amounts deducted from the invoices will be forwarded to the Ministry of Finance (MoF) Tax Division credited to the firm's TIN. Records of payments to the MOF shall be maintained on file with DAI.
8. Basis for Award	An award will be made to the responsible bidder using the simplified acquisition method, who was responsive to all terms of this RFQ and offers the best value product or service to DAL/AVCL. Bidders must meet the requirements identified in Section 12, "Determination of Responsibility". No discussions or negotiations are permitted with bidders, and therefore bidders shall submit their best and final price.

9. General Instructions to Bidders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Deadline for receipt of quotations is 4:00 PM, Kabul local time on October 19, 2022.</b> Late offers will be rejected except under extraordinary circumstances at DAI's discretion.</li> <li>• Bidders shall submit quotes electronically to <a href="mailto:AVCLbids@dai.com">AVCLbids@dai.com</a></li> <li>• The vendor fully understands that their quote must be valid for a period of 120 days.</li> <li>• The quotation <b>currency must be AFN.</b></li> <li>• Bidders shall sign and date their quotation.</li> <li>• All quotations shall be in English language</li> <li>• Bidders shall complete <b><i>Attachment A: Price Schedule template.</i></b></li> </ul> <p>The award will be issued to the responsible offeror submitting the lowest price that meets or exceeds the acceptability requirements described in the RFQ</p> <p>Issuance of this RFQ in no way obligates DAI to award a subcontract, PO or BPA. The offeror will not be reimbursed for any costs associated with the preparation of their quote. DAI also reserves the right to contract multiple providers for some or all the items requested.</p>
10. Technical Specifications	Compliance to all technical requirements stated in <a href="#">Attachment B</a>
11. Prohibited Technology	Bidders MUST NOT provide any goods and/or services that utilize telecommunications and video surveillance products from the following companies: Huawei Technologies Company, ZTE Corporation, Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company, or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof, in compliance with FAR 52.204-25.
12. Determination of Responsibility	<p>DAI will not enter into any type of agreement with a vendor prior to ensuring the vendor's responsibility. When assessing a vendor's responsibility, the following factors are taken into consideration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide copies of the required business licenses to operate in the host country.</li> <li>2. Evidence of a Unique Entity ID (SAM) Number (explained below and instructions contained in the Annex 1).</li> <li>3. The source, origin and nationality of the services are not from a Prohibited Country (explained below).</li> <li>4. Ability to comply with required or proposed delivery or performance schedules.</li> </ol>
13. Geographic Code	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under the authorized geographic code for its contract DAI may only procure goods and services from the following countries.</li> <li>• Geographic Code 935: Goods and services from any area or country including the cooperating country but excluding Prohibited Countries.</li> <li>• DAI must verify the source, nationality, and origin, of goods and services and fully ensure (possible) that DAI does not procure any goods or services from prohibited countries listed by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) as sanctioned countries. The current list of countries under comprehensive sanctions include Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan, and Syria. DAI is prohibited from facilitating any transaction by a third party if that transaction would be prohibited if performed by DAI.</li> <li>• By submitting a quote in response to this RFQ, Bidders confirm that they are not violating the Source and Nationality requirements and that the goods comply with the Geographic Code and the exclusions for prohibited countries.</li> </ul>

14. Unique Entity ID (SAM) Number	All U.S. and foreign organizations which receive first-tier subcontracts/ purchase orders with a value of \$30,000 and above <b>are required</b> to obtain a Unique Entity ID (SAM) number prior to signing of the agreement. Organizations are exempt from this requirement if the gross income received from all sources in the previous tax year was under \$300,000. For those required to obtain a Unique Entity ID number, please see Annex 1.
15. Compliance with Terms and Conditions	Bidder shall be aware of the general terms and conditions for an award resulting from this RFQ. The selected Bidder shall comply with all Representations and Certifications of Compliance listed in <a href="#">Attachment D</a> .
16. Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery Policy and Reporting Responsibilities	<p>DAI conducts business under the strictest ethical standards to assure fairness in competition, reasonable prices and successful performance or delivery of quality goods and equipment. <b>DAI does not tolerate the following acts of corruption:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any requests for a bribe, kickback, facilitation payment or gratuity in the form of payment, gift or special consideration by a DAI employee, Government official, or their representatives, to influence an award or approval decision.</li> <li>• Any offer of a bribe, kickback, facilitation payment or gratuity in the form of payment, gift or special consideration by an offeror or subcontractor to influence an award or approval decision.</li> <li>• Any fraud, such as misstating or withholding information to benefit the offeror or subcontractor.</li> <li>• Any collusion or conflicts of interest in which a DAI employee, consultant, or representative has a business or personal relationship with a principal or owner of the offeror or subcontractor that may appear to unfairly favor the offeror or subcontractor. Subcontractors must also avoid collusion or conflicts of interest in their procurements from vendors. Any such relationship must be disclosed immediately to DAI management for review and appropriate action, including possible exclusion from award.</li> </ul> <p>These acts of corruption are not tolerated and may result in serious consequences, including termination of the award and possible suspension and debarment by the U.S. Government, excluding the offeror or subcontractor from participating in future U.S. Government business.</p> <p>Any attempted or actual corruption should be reported immediately by either the offeror, subcontractor, or DAI staff to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Toll-free Ethics and Compliance Anonymous Hotline at (U.S.) +1-503-597-4328</li> <li>• Hotline website – <a href="http://www.DAI.ethicspoint.com">www.DAI.ethicspoint.com</a>, or</li> <li>• Email to <a href="mailto:Ethics@DAI.com">Ethics@DAI.com</a></li> <li>• USAID’s Office of the Inspector General Hotline at <a href="mailto:hotline@usaid.gov">hotline@usaid.gov</a>.</li> </ul> <p>By signing this proposal, the offeror confirms adherence to this standard and ensures that no attempts shall be made to influence DAI or Government staff through bribes, gratuities, facilitation payments, kickbacks, or fraud. The offeror also acknowledges that violation of this policy may result in termination, repayment of funds disallowed by the corrupt actions and possible suspension and debarment by the U.S. Government.</p>
17. Payment Terms	Bidder understands and agrees to DAI payment terms, whereby payment is made after the completion of the services and within 30 days of receipt of a correct invoice. Please see Special Clause at page # 6.

1.1 Attachment A: Price Schedule

Notes to quotations:

- Please also fill out the cover letter template ([Attachment C](#)) and print it on the company letterhead.

Below price schedule include list of items that AVC-L intends to procure under this solicitation. Please fill out the table with your prices as required.

No	Description	Unit	Qty	Unit Price (AFN)	Unit Price (AFN)	Location or destination for Item delivery
1	Pelleted Floating Feed for Trout Fish	Metric Ton	24			Kabul: 7 Tons Bamyan: 7 Tons Mazar: 8 Tons Herat: 2 Tons
2	Fishing uniform	Unit	15			Kabul
<b>Total Unit Price (AFN)</b>						

**Pelleted Floating Feed for Trout Fish:**

Feed size: 6 mm  
 Crude Protein: 38-40%  
 Crude Fat: 10%  
 Crude Fiber: 4%  
 Ash:10%  
 Phosphorus: 1.2%  
 Calcium: 2%

**NOTE:** Upon an award and, prior to the delivery, AVC-Livestock will check the fish feed sample in a laboratory against the above listed parameters. In case the feed did not match the above parameters AVC-Livestock reserves the right to reject the feed.

**Fishing Uniform:**

High-Jump Plus, Size: L XL (Size 45,46), Full Body Breathable Chest Waders for Fishing Farming Overalls Rubber and Plastic Full Body Clothes Fishing Wader.

AVCL will physically inspect the sample uniforms for quality confirmation.

**Note:**

While quoting, the offerors should include the transportation cost in their unit prices. The allocated quantity of the fish feed for each province is identified in the last column of the price schedule.

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**1.2 Attachment B: Technical Requirement**

While submitting quotation in response to this solicitation the offerors are required to provide the following:

- The offerors are required to submit relevant production certificates for the fish feed. The detailed specification of each item is specified in the price schedule above.
- Submit additional information i.e., details of composition for fish feed specified in the price schedule above.
- Submit detailed brand formation for each item being quoted.
- Provide copies of contract / Completion Certificates / appreciation letters and contact details of previous customers for reference check on the experience.

**1.3 Attachment C: Cover Letter**

**To:** DAI Global, LLC, Afghanistan Value Chain – Livestock Project  
Darya Village, Hawashenasi Road, 9th District, Kabul, Afghanistan

We, the undersigned, provide the attached quotation in accordance with RFQ-AVCL-KBL-22-0045 for the Provision and Delivery of Pelleted Floating Feed for Trout Fish and Fishing Uniforms issued on October 6, 2022.

I certify a validity period of one hundred and twenty (120) days for the prices provided in the attached quotation. Our quotation shall be binding upon us, subject to the modifications resulting from any discussions.

We understand that DAI is not bound to accept any proposal it receives.

Yours sincerely,

Company Seal/Stamp:

Authorized Signature:  
Name and Title of Signatory:  
Name of Firm:  
Address:  
Telephone:  
Email:

**Attachment D: RFQ Checklist**

**Offeror:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost:**

- Signed and Stamped Cover Letter on Company Letterhead (per Attachment C)
- Price Schedule (per Attachment B)

**Documents to determine vendor responsibility,**

- Past Performance Table (per Attachment F)
- Copy of Valid business license
- Evidence of a Unique Entity ID (SAM) Number
- Company president and vice president Copy of a valid passport or Tazkira's

**Note: to be considered for this award, all offerors are required to submit the above listed documents. Incomplete offers will be disqualified**

### Attachment E: Representations and Certifications of Compliance

1. Federal Excluded Parties List - The Bidder Select is not presently debarred, suspended, or determined ineligible for an award of a contract by any Federal agency.
2. Executive Compensation Certification- FAR 52.204-10 requires DAI, as prime contractor of U.S. federal government contracts, to report compensation levels of the five most highly compensated subcontractor executives to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Sub-Award Report System (FSRS)
3. Executive Order on Terrorism Financing- The Contractor is reminded that U.S. Executive Orders and U.S. law prohibits transactions with, and the provision of resources and support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. It is the legal responsibility of the Contractor/Recipient to ensure compliance with these Executive Orders and laws. Recipients may not engage with, or provide resources or support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. No support or resources may be provided to individuals or entities that appear on the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked persons List maintained by the US Treasury (online at [www.SAM.gov](http://www.SAM.gov)) or the United Nations Security Designation List (online at: [http://www.un.org/sc/committees/1267/aq\\_sanctions\\_list.shtml](http://www.un.org/sc/committees/1267/aq_sanctions_list.shtml)). This provision must be included in all subcontracts/sub awards issued under this Contract.
4. Trafficking of Persons – The Contractor may not traffic in persons (as defined in the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking of persons, especially Women and Children, supplementing the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime), procure commercial sex, and use forced labor during the period of this award.
5. Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payment to Influence Certain Federal Transactions – The Bidder certifies that it currently is and will remain in compliance with FAR 52.203-11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payment to Influence Certain Federal Transactions.
6. Organizational Conflict of Interest – The Bidder certifies that will comply FAR Part 9.5, Organizational Conflict of Interest. The Bidder certifies that is not aware of any information bearing on the existence of any potential organizational conflict of interest. The Bidder further certifies that if the Bidder becomes aware of information bearing on whether a potential conflict may exist, that Bidder shall immediately provide DAI with a disclosure statement describing this information
7. Prohibition of Segregated Facilities - The Bidder certifies that it is compliant with FAR 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities.
8. Equal Opportunity – The Bidder certifies that it does not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, sex, religion, handicap, race, creed, color or national origin.
9. Labor Laws – The Bidder certifies that it is in compliance with all labor laws.
10. Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) – The Bidder certifies that it is familiar with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and is in not in violation of any certifications required in the applicable clauses of the FAR, including but not limited to certifications regarding lobbying, kickbacks, equal employment opportunity, affirmation action, and payments to influence Federal transactions.
11. Employee Compliance – The Bidder warrants that it will require all employees, entities and individuals providing services in connection with the performance of an DAI Purchase Order to comply with the provisions of the resulting Purchase Order and with all Federal, State, and local laws and regulations in connection with the work associated therein.

By submitting a quote, bidders agree to fully comply with the terms and conditions above and all applicable U.S. federal government clauses included herein and will be asked to sign these Representations and Certifications upon award.



**Attachment F: Past Performance**

Include projects that best illustrate your experience providing similar services in or outside of Kabul for international NGOs or contractors. Projects should have been undertaken in the past three to five years.

#	Project Title	Description of Activities	Client Name, Contact Name & Tel/Email Funding Agency if applicable	Location City/	Cost in AFN	Period of Performance	Type of Agreement, Subcontract, Grant, PO (fixed price, cost reimbursable)
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							

## Annex 1: Quick Start Guide for Getting a Unique Entity ID (SAM)

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING AN Unique Entity ID (SAM)

**Note: There is a Mandatory Requirement for your Organization to Provide an Unique Entity ID (SAM) to DAI**

**I. SUBCONTRACTS/PURCHASE ORDERS:** All domestic and foreign organizations which receive first-tier subcontracts/ purchase orders with a value of \$30,000 and above are required to obtain an Unique Entity ID (SAM) prior to signing of the agreement. *Your organization is exempt from this requirement if the gross income received from all sources in the previous tax year was under \$300,000. Please see the self-certification form attached.*

**II. MONETARY GRANTS:** All foreign entities receiving first-tier monetary grants (standard, simplified and FOGs) with a value equal to or over \$25,000 and performing work outside the U.S. must obtain an Unique Entity ID (SAM) prior to signing of the grant. All U.S. organizations who are recipients of first-tier monetary grants of any value are required to obtain an Unique Entity ID (SAM); the exemption for under \$25,000 applies to foreign organizations only.

**NO SUBCONTRACTS/POs (\$30,000 + above) or MONETARY GRANTS WILL BE SIGNED BY DAI WITHOUT PRIOR RECEIPT OF AN UNIQUE ENTITY ID (SAM).**

### DAI'S VENDORS, SUBCONTRACTORS & GRANTEES

*Note: The determination of a successful offeror/applicant resulting from this RFP/RFQ/RFA is contingent upon the winner providing an Unique Entity ID (SAM) to DAI. Organizations who fail to provide an Unique Entity ID (SAM) will not receive an award and DAI will select an alternate vendor/subcontractor/grantee.*

#### Background:

##### Summary of Current U.S. Government Requirements - Unique Entity ID (SAM)

Effective April 4, 2022, entities doing business with the federal government will use the Unique Entity Identifier (SAM) created in SAM.gov. The Unique Entity ID (SAM) is a 12-character alphanumeric value managed, granted, and owned by the government. This allows the government to streamline the entity identification and validation process, making it easier and less burdensome for entities to do business with the federal government.

Entities are assigned an identifier during registration, or one can be requested at SAM.gov without needing to register. Ernst and Young provides the validation services for the U.S. Government. The information required for getting an Unique Entity ID (SAM) without registration is minimal. It only validates your organization's legal business name and address. It is a verification that your organization is what you say it is.

The Unique Entity ID (SAM) does not expire.

#### THE PROCESS FOR OBTAINING AN UNIQUE ENTITY ID IS OUTLINED BELOW:

1. Have the following information ready to request an Unique Entity ID (SAM)
  - a. Legal Business Name
  - b. Physical Address (including ZIP + 4)
  - c. SAM.gov account (this is a user account, not actual SAM.gov business registration).
    - i. **As a new user**, to get a SAM.gov account, go to [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov).
      1. Click "Sign In" on the upper right-hand corner.
      2. Click on "Create a User Account"

An official website of the United States government [Here's how you know](#)

LOGIN.GOV SAM.GOV®

Diagram illustrating the login process: a user profile icon, a lock icon, and a computer monitor icon with a user profile, connected by lines.

sam.gov is using Login.gov to allow you to sign in to your account safely and securely.

Email address

Password  Show password

Sign in

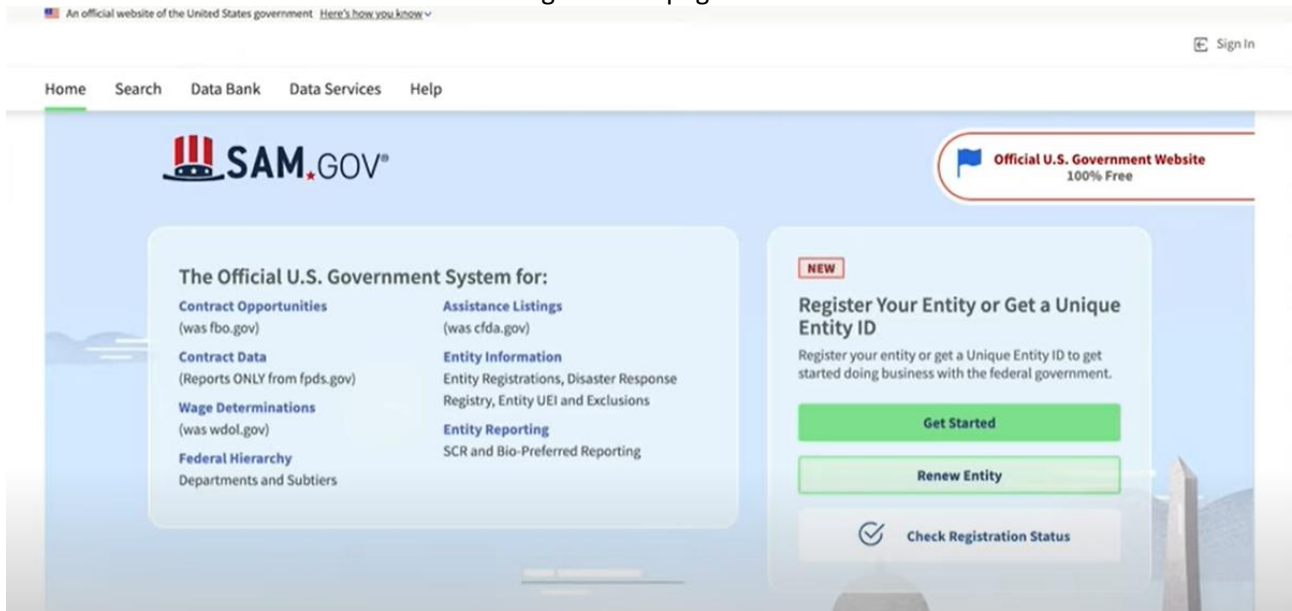
Create an account

3. Choose Account Type:
  - a. Create an Individual User Account to perform tasks such as register/update your entity, create and manage exclusion records or to view FOUO level data for entity records.
  - b. Create a System User Account if you need system-to-system communication or if performing data transfer from SAM to your government database system. Complete the requested information, and then click "Submit."
4. Click "DONE" on the confirmation page. You will receive an email confirming you have created a user account in SAM.

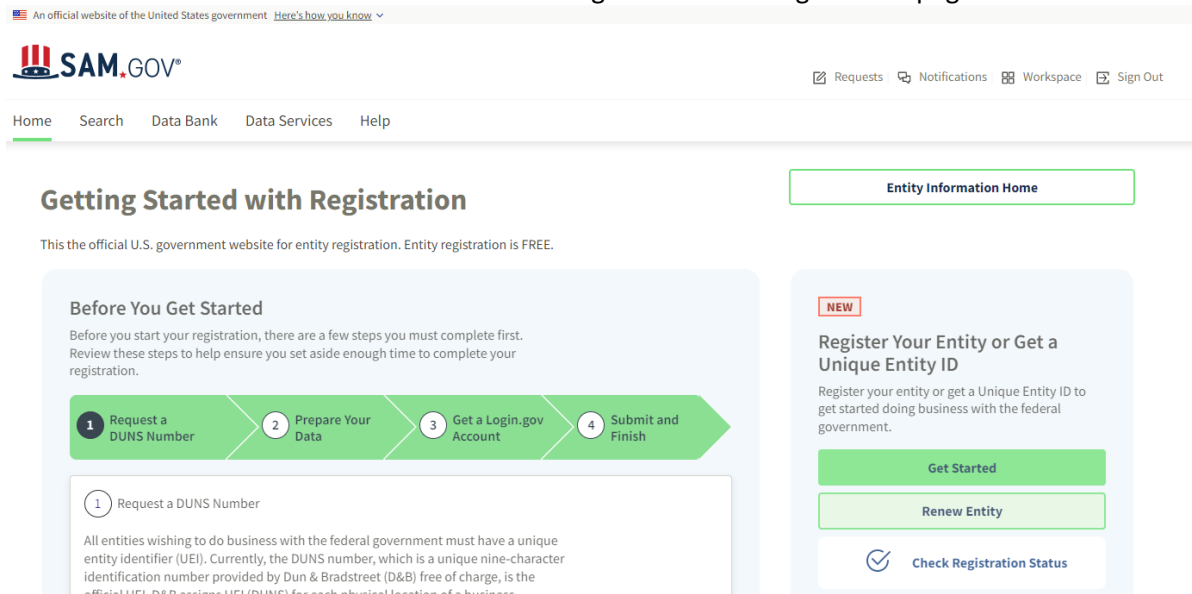
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- 5. Click the validation link in the email that contains the activation code within 48 hours to activate your user account. If the email link is not hyperlinked (i.e., underlined or appearing in a different color), please copy the validation link and paste it into the browser address bar. You can now register an entity.  
NOTE: Creating a user account does not create a registration in SAM, nor will it update/renew an existing registration in SAM.

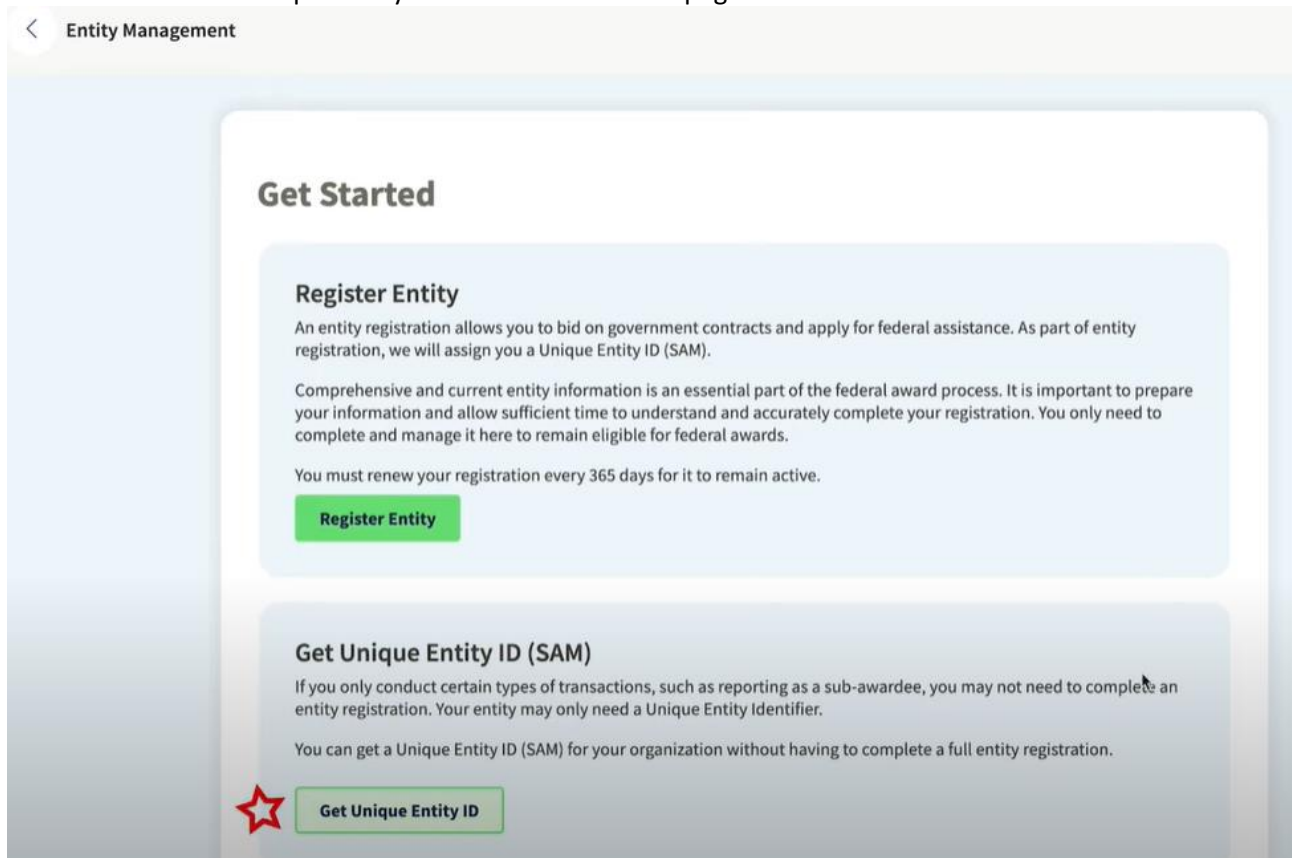
2. Once you have registered as a user, you can get an Unique Entity ID by selecting the “Get Started” button on the SAM.gov home page.



3. Select “Get Started” on the Getting Started with Registration page.



4. Select "Get Unique Entity ID" on the Get Started page.



5. Enter Entity Information.



- a. If you previously had a DUN Number, make sure your Legal Business Name and Physical Address are accurate and match the Entity Information, down to capitalization and punctuation, used for DUNS registration.
6. When you are ready, select "Next"
  7. Confirm your company's information.



- a. On this page you will have the option to restrict the public search of this information. "Allow the selected record to be a public display record." If you uncheck this box, only you and the federal government users will be able to search and view the entity information and entities like DAI will not be able to independently verify that you have a Unique Entity Identifier (SAM).

Allow the selected record to be a public display record.

If you feel displaying non-sensitive information like your registration status, legal business name and physical address in the search engine results poses a security threat or danger to you or your organization, you can restrict the public viewing of you record in SAM's search engine. However, your non-sensitive registration information remains available under the Freedom of Information Act to those who download the SAM public data file. Learn more about SAM public search results [\[3\]](#).



8. When you are ready, select "Next"
9. Once validation is completed, select "Request UEI" to be assigned an Unique Entity ID (SAM). Before requesting your UEI (SAM), you must certify that you are authorized to conduct transactions under penalty of law to reduce the likelihood of unauthorized transactions conducted for the entity.



### Request UEI

You have completed validation. Select **Request UEI** to be assigned a Unique Entity ID.

VERIFIED MATCH:

**US TEST COMPANY 999** ● Public

**DUNS** UNIQUE ENTITY ID:  
362267515

PHYSICAL ADDRESS  
3501 CORPORATE PKWY  
CENTER VALLEY, PA 18034  
US

Before requesting your UEI, please certify that you are authorized to conduct transactions under penalty of law to reduce the likelihood of unauthorized transactions conducted for my entity. Then select **Request UEI**.

I certify that I am authorized to conduct transactions on behalf of the entity.

Request UEI

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10. The Unique Entity ID will be shown on the next page. SAM.gov will send an email confirmation with your Unique Entity ID.



## Receive UEI

Congratulations! You have been assigned the following Unique Entity ID.

**EH4HG9MLR7Q6**

**VERIFIED MATCH:**

**US TEST COMPANY 999** ● Public

**DUNS** UNIQUE ENTITY ID:  
362267515

**SAM** UNIQUE ENTITY ID:  
**EH4HG9MLR7Q6**

PHYSICAL ADDRESS  
3501 CORPORATE PKWY  
CENTER VALLEY, PA 18034  
US

You have finished getting your Unique Entity ID, select **Done** to return to your workspace.

To continue with registration, select **Continue Registration**.

[Continue Registration](#) [Done](#)



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11. If you need to view the Unique Entity ID from SAM in the future or update the organization's information, sign into SAM.gov and go to "Entity Management" widget.

The screenshot shows the SAM.gov interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the SAM.GOV logo and links for Requests, Notifications, Workspace, and Sign Out. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with Home, Search, Data Bank, Data Services, and Help. The main content area is titled "Workspace" and features several widgets. The "Entity Management" widget is the primary focus, containing a "Get Started" button and a "What do I need for registration?" section. It displays four status categories for Entity Registration: ACTIVE (0), DRAFT (0), WORK IN PROGRESS (0), and SUBMITTED (0). Below this, it shows "Next Update Due: Due in Next 30 days: 0 Entity Registrations". The "Unique Entity ID" section shows 1 ACTIVE and 0 DRAFT. The "System Accounts" widget below shows 1 ACTIVE, 0 DRAFT, 0 CHANGE REQUEST, 0 PENDING, and 0 DEACTIVATED. To the right, a "Profile" sidebar shows a user profile, icons for Downloads, Saved Searches, and Following, and sections for Pending Requests (No pending requests), Notifications (No available notifications), and Add A New Role (with a dropdown menu).