

of, or reason to know of the improper conduct.

(c) *Conduct imputed from one organization to another organization.* A Federal agency may impute the fraudulent, criminal, or other improper conduct of one organization to another organization when the improper conduct occurred in connection with a partnership, joint venture, joint application, association or similar arrangement, or when the organization to whom the improper conduct is imputed has the power to direct, manage, control or influence the activities of the organization responsible for the improper conduct. Acceptance of the benefits derived from the conduct is evidence of knowledge, approval or acquiescence.

**§ 180.635 May a Federal agency settle a debarment or suspension action?**

Yes, a Federal agency may settle a debarment or suspension action at any time if it is in the best interest of the Federal Government.

**§ 180.640 May a settlement include a voluntary exclusion?**

Yes, if a Federal agency enters into a settlement with you in which you agree to be excluded, it is called a voluntary exclusion and has government-wide effect.

**§ 180.645 Do other Federal agencies know if an agency agrees to a voluntary exclusion?**

(a) Yes, the Federal agency agreeing to the voluntary exclusion enters information about it into SAM Exclusions.

(b) Also, any agency or person may contact the Federal agency that agreed to the voluntary exclusion to find out the details of the voluntary exclusion.

**§ 180.650 May an administrative agreement be the result of a settlement?**

Yes, a Federal agency may enter into an administrative agreement with you as part of the settlement of a debarment or suspension action.

[80 FR 43308, July 22, 2015]

**§ 180.655 How will other Federal awarding agencies know about an administrative agreement that is the result of a settlement?**

The suspending or debarring official who enters into an administrative agreement with you must report information about the agreement to the designated integrity and performance system within three business days after entering into the agreement. This information is required by section 872 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (41 U.S.C. 2313).

[80 FR 43308, July 22, 2015]

**§ 180.660 Will administrative agreement information about me in the designated integrity and performance system accessible through SAM be corrected or updated?**

Yes, the suspending or debarring official who entered information into the designated integrity and performance system about an administrative agreement with you:

(a) Must correct the information within three business days if he or she subsequently learns that any of the information is erroneous.

(b) Must correct in the designated integrity and performance system, within three business days, the ending date of the period during which the agreement is in effect, if the agreement is amended to extend that period.

(c) Must report to the designated integrity and performance system, within three business days, any other modification to the administrative agreement.

(d) Is strongly encouraged to amend the information in the designated integrity and performance system in a timely way to incorporate any update that he or she obtains that could be helpful to Federal awarding agencies who must use the system.

[80 FR 43308, July 22, 2015]