



October 28, 2017

Subject: NIST 800-171/DFARS 252.204-7012

Dear Valued Supplier,

Knight's Armament Company manufactures and supplies weapon systems, small arms accessories and night vision electro-optics to U.S. federal and defense agencies.

The USG is imposing new security requirements effective December 31, 2017. These requirements are mandatory flow downs to all vendors and subcontractors supporting federal and DoD programs.

NIST SP 800-171 Rev 1 establishes the minimum security standard for "protecting controlled unclassified information in Non-Federal information systems and organizations".

<https://csrc.nist.gov/publications/detail/sp/800-171/rev-1/final>

DFARS 252.204-7012 Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting – Requires DoD contractors to provide adequate security to safeguard "covered defense information" on its unclassified information systems that support the performance of work under a DoD contract.

<https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/dfars/html/current/252204.htm#252.204-7012>

Knight's Armament Company requests your acknowledgement of receipt of this letter and verification of your business's intent to comply/not comply with the standards as stated.

Please review the requirements, hyperlinks are included above.

Sincerely,

Arthur N. Hoelke
VP/GM/FSO

We have reviewed the requirements of NIST 800-171 Rev 1 and DFARS 252.204-7012 and will be compliant non-compliant with the controls established therein on or before January 1, 2018.

If your business is non-compliant, please provide explanation with your returned letter.

Company Name

Signature

Title

Date