

# 19.814 Requesting a formal size determination (8(a) sole source requirements).

(a) If the size status of an 8(a) participant nominated for award of an 8(a) sole source contract is called into question, a request for a formal size determination *may* be submitted to SBA pursuant to 13 CFR 121.1001(b)(2)(ii) by-

(1) The 8(a) participant nominated for award of the particular sole source contract;

(2) The *contracting officer* who has been delegated SBA's 8(a) contract execution functions, where applicable, or the SBA program official with authority to execute the 8(a) contract;

(3) The SBA District Director in the district office that services the 8(a) participant or the Associate Administrator for Business Development; or

(4) The SBA Inspector General.

(b) SBA's Government *Contracting* Area Director will issue a formal size determination within 15 business days, if possible, after SBA receives the request for a formal size determination.

(c) An appeal of an SBA size determination *shall* follow the procedures at [19.302](#).

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 19.8 - Contracting with the Small Business Administration \(The 8\(a\) Program\)](#)