

Construction Industry Procurement Coalition

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RE: Support *Small Business Payment for Performance Act*, Section 870 of H.R. 7900 - *National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2023*

Dear Chairmen Reed and Smith and Ranking Members Inhofe and Rogers:

We, the undersigned fourteen construction industry trade and professional organizations representing tens of thousands of firms and individuals engaged in architecture, engineering, surveying and mapping, prime contracting, subcontracting, specialty trade contracting, supplying, and surety bond producing, urge you to support the *Small Business Payment for Performance Act*, Section 870 of H.R. 7900 - *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023*, requiring timely partial payments for agency directed changes to a federal contract.

Section 870 of H.R. 7900 would require federal agencies to make interim partial payments to their construction prime contractors for unilateral changes in contract performance directed by the buying agencies. These reforms will help small business construction contractors and subcontractors shoulder the financial burden of unilateral agency changes to a contract.

Again, we urge you to support Section 870 of H.R. 7900. Thank you for your consideration of the construction industry.

Sincerely,
The Below Signed Associations:

American Council of Engineering Companies
American Subcontractors Association
Associated General Contractors of America

Design-Build Institute of America
Independent Electrical Contractors
International Institute of Building Enclosure Consultants
National Association of Surety Bond Producers
National Electrical Contractors Association
National Society of Professional Surveyors
Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association
Subsurface Utility Engineering Association
Surety & Fidelity Association of America
U.S. Geospatial Executives Organization
Women Construction Owners and Executives

cc: Members of the Senate Armed Services Committee and House Armed Services Committee