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The Under Secretary of the Navy appointed Ms. Nancy Tarrant as the Department of the Navy's Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (SADBU) on October 24, 1999. As the Director SADBU, she reports directly to the Under Secretary of the Navy. The position of Director and the SADBU acquisition preference programs are mandated by Public Law and implemented by Federal Acquisition Regulations.

Ms. Tarrant manages the Navy and Marine Corps SADBU Program, implementing initiatives and strategies that will enhance or facilitate small business participation in Department of the Navy prime and subcontract procurements. She also ensures the Navy and Marine Corps small business, contracts, and program management communities form useful partnerships so that the SADBU Program moves successfully into the next millennium. She is the Secretariat focal point for all Department of the Navy SADBU Program related matters.

Ms. Tarrant entered Federal Service in 1975, becoming a contract specialist through an Upward Mobility Program in the Department of the Navy. She has since served in a variety of senior acquisition positions within the Department of the Navy, including Head of Contracts at the Navy Public Works Centers in San Francisco Bay, CA and Norfolk, VA. She came to the Under Secretary's Office of SADBU in 1997 as the Deputy Director of Business Development. Ms. Tarrant was educated at the California State University in Northridge, California and is a member of the Navy Acquisition Professional Community, the National Contract Management Association and the National Association of Female Executives.

