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To all government purchasing personnel in North Carolina:

The **vendor certification requirement** under the Iran Divestment Act will be **eliminated, effective October 1, 2017!**

Governor Cooper signed legislation into law on Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, repealing the statute requiring that every State contract, and the contracts with any of its sub-units or with local government entities, include a contractor certification that the contractor is not on the list of entities doing business with Iran that is maintained by the Office of the State Treasurer. The prohibition itself, however, remains in effect.

By the end of September, P&C will post new solicitation templates with the certification requirement removed. You should download and use this latest version of these templates. If your office uses an alternate version, please be sure to update it for use after October 1.

Note that the prohibition against contracting with vendors on the Treasurer's list remains in effect, even if a certification of that fact will no longer be needed. Each purchaser should download a copy of the list from the Treasurer's web site and check it before making any award recommendation, to make sure your selected vendor is not on the list, which would make your contract void. The Treasurer's list is updated every three months.

The list of prohibited vendors can be downloaded from: <https://www.nctreasurer.com/inside-the-department/OpenGovernment/Pages/Iran-Divestment-Act-Resources.aspx>.

Remember to download both the *Final Divestment List* and the *Parent and Subsidiary List* from this page. Most of the companies on these lists are oil and petrochemical companies located in China or India.