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I wish to let know that I do not agree with the proposed change to the confidentiality terms as expressed in the proposed SBA Form 641

- This information collection seems unnecessary. SBA has no need for my contact information in order to do its job. My personal information is not a performance indicator and should continue to be treated with respect. Also, what purpose is served by soliciting a small business for other services, how is that an appropriate information collection. I do not need either SBA nor its so called agents to bombard me with unsolicited services or any other type of unsolicited contacts.

- Who are SBA's agents? This section should allow for a better understanding of what contact is being sought. The information collection should not allow for dissemination beyond the SBDCs.

- How will SBA protect my information to the extent permitted by law? Under the Small Business Act the SBDC is prohibited from sharing my information at all. It would be simpler to not collect my information, as set forth in the law.

- The information collection requires a small business to "waive all claims", why if they are protecting my information? Why should I waive one of my protections?

- SBA is asking for this information to "meet Congressional and Executive Branch reporting requirements". That doesn't make sense. If the Small Business Act specifically prohibits SBDCs from sharing my information clearly Congress doesn't want it, and there is no need for SBA to have that information.

- The justification for this form says SBA will comply with the E-Government Act, but that statute doesn't allow SBA to violate other statutes like the Small Business Act. Does the information collection mean SBA is choosing to follow one law but not another?

- I enjoy a good working relationship with my SBDC. I don't want to be solicited by SBA or its agents.

- It is doubtful that the SBA will be able to protect my information. There are too many examples of government agencies failing to protect personal information. Also, this suggests more dissemination of personal information which can only lead to less security.

- SBA should make its request clearer and its intent clearer. They don't need my contact information to meet any statutory requirements, in fact Congress doesn't want the SBDCs to give my information to SBA or anyone else.

Language from part 11 of Form 641

I request business counseling service from an SBA Resource Partner. I agree to cooperate should I be selected to participate in surveys designed to evaluate SBA Resource Partner services. I permit SBA or its agent the use of my name and address for SBA surveys and information mailings regarding SBA products and services (Yes No).

I understand that any information disclosed will be protected to the extent permitted by law. (SBA or its agents will not provide your personal information to commercial entities.) I authorize SBA or its agents to furnish relevant information to the assigned management counselor(s). I further understand that the counselor(s) agrees not to: 1) recommend goods or services from sources in which he/she has an interest, and 2) accept fees or commissions developing from this counseling relationship.

In consideration of the counselor(s) furnishing management or technical assistance, I waive all claims aga