

**18th Annual End of Year
Federal Contractor Update
January 29, 2026 – Pewaukee, WI**

- 8:30am** **Welcome by host organizations and Attendee introductions**
Event moderators for today will be Daryl Zahn and James Pitcher
- 9:00am** **2026 Update on Federal Acquisition Regulations and Other** – *presented by Daryl Zahn, CFCM, Senior Manager, Contracts & Compliance, DRS Naval Power Systems, Inc.*
- 9:45am** **2026 Defense Contract Update** – *presented by Jason Rathsack, NCMA WI Chapter Board Member*
- 10:45am** **Guest Speaker**
- 11:15am** **BREAK**
- 11:30m** **2026 Federal Case Law Update** – *presented by Samuel Jack, Senior Counsel, Husch Blackwell*
- Noon** **2026 Update from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)** – *presented by Frank Demarest, Wisconsin State Deputy District Director, U.S. SBA*
- 12:15pm** **==LUNCH AND NETWORKING==**
- 1:15pm** **2026 Update from Washington DC** – *presented by Brian Waagner, Partner, Husch Blackwell LLP*
- 2:00pm** **PANEL ONE: Selling to the Federal Government in 2026** – *presented by James Pitcher, Director of Strategic Contracts, Gallatin AI; David Zvenyach, Founder and Principal Tandem / CEO MakeGov; Baly Ambegaoker, CEO Breakthrough Technologies for Mission Success [BTMS]*
- 3:15pm** **--BREAK--**
- 3:30pm** **PANEL TWO: Engaging with Prime Contractors**
- 4:15pm** **ANNUAL BLOG** – *presented by Aina Vilumsons, President and Executive Director, WPI*
- 4:30pm** **END OF EVENT**