Immigration Alert: Mandatory Use of E-VERIFY by Government Contractors Postponed Again

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The Federal Acquisitions Regulatory Council has postponed the implementation date for the mandatory use of the E-Verify system by most federal contractors until June 30, 2009.

As explained in our previous Client Alert issued November 14, 2008, the new regulation will require certain contractors and subcontractors to enroll in and use E-Verify to check the employment eligibility of all new employees and those existing employees who are working under the federal contract. The

E-Verify system does not replace the mandatory I-9 verification process, but rather supplements this obligation.

The purpose of the delay in the implementation is to afford the government additional opportunity to review its own rule and its applicability to federal contractors and subcontractors.

For additional information on the E-Verify system, see Mintz Levin's podcast on E-Verify.

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