

WidePoint Company ORC Named Credential Provider for Grants.gov

By registering once, an organization can apply for over \$400 billion in annual awards from over 1,000 grant programs

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FAIRFAX, Va. — ORC, Inc., a WidePoint company (AMEX: WYY), announced today it has been named the credential provider for the federal government's grant management program, www.grants.gov.

Established to improve government services to the public, www.grants.gov allows applicants for federal grants to apply for and manage grant funds from participating agencies through a common web site, simplifying grants management and eliminating redundancies.

Organizations wishing to submit proposals in response to RFPs on the grants.gov Web site must first register with ORC. This process safeguards the security of applicants' electronic information and helps determine, with certainty, that someone really is who they claim to be.

"Because the entire registration process may take several days, ORC encourages organizations to register well in advance of any proposal submission deadlines," said Dan Turissini, ORC President and CEO. "We've seen Grants.gov enable many more nonprofit organizations to participate in the federal government's grants process than in the past, when such grants were administered by more than 25 separate federal agencies."

The www.grants.gov web site contains helpful information for nonprofits organizations who want to apply for federal grants. The site <http://apply07.grants.gov/> explains the steps applicants must follow to register with ORC. Applicants can also visit www.orc.com and click on the "E-Authentication" link to register.

The organization then completes the registration with www.grants.gov as an authorized organization representative. Once an organization's E-Business point of contact has assigned these rights, applicants are authorized to submit grant applications through Grants.gov on behalf of their organization.

Each organization also needs to be registered with the Central Contractor Registry and needs to have their DUNS number available to complete the process.

For more information on ORC, visit www.orc.com or call 1-800-816-5548. For ORC's public relations, contact Ms. Jan Goebel at 1-703-938-1242, email: jan@z3strategy.com.

About WidePoint

WidePoint is a technology-based provider of products and services to the government sector and commercial markets. WidePoint specializes in providing systems engineering, integration and information technology services. WidePoint's wholly owned subsidiary, Operational Research Consultants, Inc. (ORC), is at the forefront of implementing government-compliant eAuthentication identity management managed services and associated systems engineering/integration. ORC has earned four major U.S. federal government certifications offering the highest levels of assurance for transactions over the Internet.

WidePoint's profile of customers encompasses U.S. Federal Government agencies, including the Department of Defense, the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice as well as major U.S. defense contractors and several major pharmaceutical companies. For more information, visit <http://www.widepoint.com>.

An investment profile about WidePoint may be found at

<http://www.hawkassociates.com/wyyprofile.aspx>.

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