



## The New eVP Updates

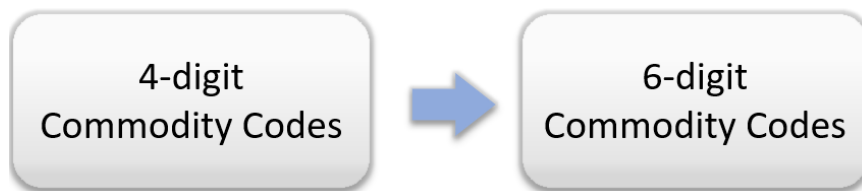
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The new electronic Vendor Portal (eVP) will improve user experience for buyers by combining functionality in the current electronic Vendor Portal (eVP), the Interactive Purchasing System (IPS), and the NC Business Invitation Delivery System (NC BIDS).



### NEW eVP ENHANCEMENTS

The new eVP will introduce the use of 6-digit United Nations Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC) commodity codes for bid posting, identification of the goods and services provided by vendors, and vendor bid notification selections.



For more information on UNSPSC commodity codes, see the [Selecting Commodity Codes](#) page.

Also, vendors will begin to self-report new fields such as eVerify status and NC Secretary of State ID, and will move from reporting [Dun & Bradstreet DUNS number to the SAM.gov Unique Entity ID \(UEI\) identifier](#) in alignment with a recent shift by the U.S. federal government. Construction services vendors will be able to provide a licensed contact.

### USER IMPACT

Buyers can take advantage of the newly added 6-digit level commodity codes and its benefits:

Vendor Classification	Public Vendor Search	Bid Posting & Notifications
Vendors may search and select applicable commodity codes at the company and/or contact level during registration for accurate classifications	Users will be able to search for commodity codes more easily and receive narrower vendor search results	Bid postings will be more specific and bid notifications are likely to be more targeted with contact level commodity code selection

Enhanced commodity codes, along with the addition of new fields for vendors, will allow buyers to better identify vendors to meet their needs. Commodity code selection on solicitation postings will be highlighted in a future update.

### NEXT STEPS

Training materials and webinars on topics such as selecting commodity codes and searching for vendors will be available in the coming weeks before the new system goes live this summer.

Stay tuned for more emails highlighting new features. More information can be found on the [NCEP News & Events page](#).