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Mr. Jose Arrieta is the new Directory of the Office of IT Schedule 70 Contract Operations, within the Office of Acquisition Management, Office of Information Technology Category (ITC) in GSA's Federal Acquisition Service (FAS). The Federal Acquisition Service provides buying platforms and acquisition services to Federal, State and Local governments for a broad range of items from office supplies to motor vehicles to information technology and telecommunications products and services. As an organization within FAS, ITC provides access to a wide range of commercial and custom IT products, services and solutions.

Under Mr. Arrieta's purview, IT Schedule Contract Operations provides leadership, guidance, and and expert advice to Schedule 70 – the largest Governmentwide IT contract in the federal government. In this role, Jose provides oversight, guidance, and promote public policy objectives related to federal acquisition, including competition, integrity, fairness, and transparency, while ensuring compliance with laws, regulations, and policy. Additionally, Mr. Arrieta's team supports GSA, FAS, and ITC in all areas related to the acquisition of IT Schedule products, services, and solutions to enable the government to economically and effectively meet mission requirements; provides acquisition



operations support in the development and award of IT Schedule contracts; determines the appropriate procurement methods for contracting to achieve ITC goals; maintains liaisons with industry associations, interagency working groups, and other organizations involved in government acquisition issues to exchange information and improve ITC acquisitions; performs cycle time, workload analysis, and aging actions reporting; and conducts research to support acquisition initiatives.

Prior to joining ITC, Mr. Arrieta served as the first member of the Senior Executive Service to lead the Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU) for the Department of the Treasury. Mr. Arrieta also served as the first Industry Liaison & Procurement Ombudsman for the Department of Homeland Security, where he managed vendor relationships with more than 15,000 DHS industry partners. He also served as a Program Manager and Budget Chief for the Office of Intelligence & Analysis for the Transportation Security Administration from 2010 to 2012. Mr. Arrieta began his Government career as an acquisition intern at GSA. In his last position at GSA, he led a business line in planning high dollar value, highly complex, politically sensitive supply chain and 4th party logistics acquisitions supporting military customers.

Jose's passion is international business and the impact commerce has on development around the world. In his free time he provides pro bono consulting services for U.S. and international entrepreneurs from a California based NASCAR team to a rice farm in the Philippines. He served as an advisor to American University and the Partners of the Americas. Through American University, he has advised over 50 entrepreneurs from around the world on raising investment capital for a range of different business ventures. He also teaches business management courses at Prince George's Community College and the University of Virginia. Jose's passion for small business is a direct result of growing up as the son of a successful entrepreneur/small business owner. Jose is FAC-C Level III certified and has experience planning and managing all types of cost and fixed price Federal contracts. Jose lives in Virginia with his wife Fatima and two beautiful kids Bruno and Penelope.