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Subject: Lavante is Supporting Northrop Grumman with FATCA Compliance

Northrop Grumman has partnered with Lavante, Inc. to support compliance with the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) by providing a self-service portal to collect and securely maintain the supplier's tax-related information. All suppliers will receive an email directly from Lavante, Inc. requesting registration on the Lavante Connect validation portal.

The Lavante Connect portal will validate the supplier's U.S. tax obligations through completion of a W-8/W-9 form, as required. There is no charge to use the portal and the supplier will receive a tax withholding certificate upon registration and submittal of all required tax-related information and/or documentation. The withholding certificate can be used to demonstrate withholding status to customers other than Northrop Grumman.

Suppliers that do not adequately declare their withholding status are subject to default tax withholdings from all Northrop Grumman payments. Prior completion of a W-8 (paper) form will still require certificate validation in the Lavante Connect portal.

We appreciate your cooperation and support.

Please contact your Northrop Grumman purchasing representative with any questions.