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## Justification for No Material/Nonsubstantive Change

To comply with CY2025 Executive Orders, we seek approval to update or delete the following questions:

- 1. Action: Update one question in line with EO 14168<sup>1</sup>, to remove the word "gender."
  - Question #20 -
    - O Update the term "gender" to "sex"
    - O Remove option C "gender-non-binary/other"
  - Justification: Per Sec. 2. Policy and Definitions. It is the policy of the United States to recognize two sexes, male and female.

Previous	Updated for 2026 USEER Survey
20. Thinking of your [Take Q3/Q4] [energy/ SI] employees, how many are:	20. Thinking of your [Take Q3/Q4] [energy/ SI] employees, how many are:
a. Men: Record # employees	a. Men: Record # employees
b. Women: Record # of employees	b. Women: Record # of employees
<ul><li>c. Gender non-binary/other:</li><li>Record # of employees</li></ul>	c. (DON'T READ) Refused
d. (DON'T READ) Refused	

- 2. Action: Remove seven questions consistent with EO 14173<sup>2</sup> requirements.
  - O Question #31 Remove
  - O Question #32 Remove
  - O Question #33 Remove
  - O Question #34 Remove
  - O Question #35 Remove
  - O Question #36 Remove
  - O Question #37 Remove
  - Justification: Sec. 2. Policy. It is the policy of the United States to protect the civil rights of all Americans and to promote individual initiative, excellence, and hard work. I therefore order all executive departments and agencies (agencies) to terminate all discriminatory and illegal preferences, mandates, policies, programs, activities, guidance, regulations, enforcement actions, consent orders, and requirements. I further order all agencies to enforce our longstanding civil-rights laws and to combat illegal private-sector DEI preferences, mandates, policies, programs, and activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism And Restoring Biological Truth To The Federal Government</u> - The White House

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ending Illegal Discrimination And Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity - The White House

Previous	Removed for 2026 USEER Survey
31. Has your firm adopted any specific	The state of the s
strategies, policies, or programs to	
increase the number of female hires?	
1. Yes	
2. No	
3. DK/NA	
IF Q31 = 1, ASK Q32	
32. Briefly describe the strategies,	
policies, or programs to increase	
female hires?	
33. Has your firm adopted any specific	
strategies, policies, or programs to	
increase the number of ethnic or	
racial minority hires?	
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1. Yes 2. No	
3. DK/NA	
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IF Q33 = 1, ASK Q34  34. Briefly describe the strategies,	
policies, or programs to increase	
minority hires?	
35. Has your firm adopted any specific	
strategies, policies, or programs to	
increase the number of LGBTQ+	
hires?	
1. Yes	
2. No	
3. DK/NA	
IF Q35 = 1, ASK Q36	
36. Briefly describe the strategies,	
policies, or programs to increase	
LGBTQ+ hires?	
37. Does your firm offer or require a	
diversity and/or inclusion training	
program aimed at advocating	
workplace diversity and inclusion?	
1. Yes	
2. No	
3. DK/NA	

- 3. Remove one question that is no longer relevant due to the passage of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBB)<sup>3</sup>.
  - O Question #52 Remove.
  - Justification: Since the Passing of the OBBB, this question is no longer relevant.

Previous		Removed for 2026 USEER Survey
52. How i	important are the	
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL),		
Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and other		
federal policies and investments to		
your company's growth?		
1.	Very important	
2.	Somewhat important	
3.	Not at all important	
4.	Don't know/ Refused	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> H.R.1 - 119th Congress (2025-2026): One Big Beautiful Bill Act | Congress.gov | Library of Congress