

ARRA Registration Glossary

ARRA – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Also known as the Stimulus. Federal legislation enacted to distribute money to various sectors of the economy in order to help lift it from recession.

CCR – Central Contractor Registration. A federal database that collects, validates, stores and provides information for various agencies nationwide. It is needed during registration to deliver ARRA reports online.

DUNS – Data Universal Numbering System. A nine-digit identification number that identifies businesses by specific location and stores the information in a database maintained by D&B corporation. It was adopted as the federal contractor identification code in April 1998. This number is needed to register and submit ARRA reports, which are required by federal regulations.

EFT – Electronic Funds Transfer. This information is required during CCR registration for payment of fees.

FAQ – Frequently Asked Questions. A list of questions commonly asked for a particular topic, such as reporting at FederalReporting.gov. The site has just such a FAQ, located at www.federalreporting.gov/federalreporting/faq.do

FRPIN – Federal Reporting Personal Identification Number. The FRPIN is required by the FederalReporting.gov web site to report ARRA projects online. Once registered at FederalReporting.gov, the FRPIN must be requested using a link on the left side. Once approved, a nine-digit number will be provided. That number will allow full access to the site for reporting.

RCAP – Rural Community Assistance Partnership. Federal nonprofit agency dedicated to assisting small, rural water and wastewater systems. RCAP is made up of six regions that cover the United States and its territories. RCAP representatives are available to assist systems with their ARRA reporting.

TPIN – Trading Partner Identification Number. A number provided once an entity has registered successfully with the CCR. The number is needed at ccr.gov if the person wishes to access the CCR database or create a user ID and password for the site.

XLS Spreadsheet – A spreadsheet in Microsoft Excel format. .xls will be the extension on the spreadsheet file. It can be opened and edited using Microsoft Excel or Microsoft Office. The XLS spreadsheet is one of three methods of reporting under the ARRA program.