

PART 215—CONTRACTING BY NEGOTIATION

215.404-76 [Amended]

3. Section 215.404-76 is amended in paragraph (b), in the table, under the heading "ARMY", by removing "U.S. Army, Contracting Support Agency, ATTN: SARD-RS, 5109 Leesburg Pike, Suite 916" and adding in its place "Headquarters, Department of the Army, ATTN: SAAL-PA, Skyline 6, Suite 302, 5109 Leesburg Pike".

PART 219—SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS

219.800 [Amended]

4. Section 219.800 is amended in paragraph (a), in the third sentence, by removing "December 31, 2001" and adding in its place "March 31, 2002".

PART 242—CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION AND AUDIT SERVICES

5. Section 242.1203 is amended in paragraph (b)(2)(A) by revising the Navy entry to read as follows:

242.1203 Processing agreements.

(b)(2)(A) * * *

Navy Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development & Acquisition, Acquisition and Business Management, 2211 South Clark Place, Room 578, Arlington, VA 22202-3738.

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PART 246—QUALITY ASSURANCE

246.407 [Amended]

6. Section 246.407 is amended by removing paragraphs (1) and (2).

Appendix G—Activity Address Numbers

7. Appendix G to Chapter 2 is amended in Part 3 by adding a new entry "N39826", and by removing entry "N62913" the second time it appears. The added text reads as follows:

PART 3—NAVY ACTIVITY ADDRESS NUMBERS

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N39826, L5L Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Norfolk Detachment Earle, 201 Highway 34 South,

Building C-33, Colts Neck, NJ 07722-5019

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Parts 209, 212, 213, 217, 222, and 252

[DFARS Case 97-D314]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Veterans Employment Emphasis

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to remove text pertaining to contractor reporting on employment of veterans, because the reporting requirements have been added to the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Angelena Moy, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telephone (703) 602-1302; facsimile (703) 602-0350. Please cite DFARS Case 97-D314.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This final rule removes DFARS requirements pertaining to contractor reporting on employment of veterans. The DFARS requirements were published as an interim rule at 63 FR 11850 on March 11, 1998. The DFARS text is no longer necessary, because the reporting requirements were added to the Federal Acquisition Regulation in Item IV of Federal Acquisition Circular 2001-01 on October 22, 2001 (66 FR 53487).

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*,

because the rule merely eliminates requirements that duplicate those found in the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 209, 212, 213, 217, 222, and 252

Government procurement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

Therefore, 48 CFR Parts 209, 212, 213, 217, 222, and 252 are amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Parts 209, 212, 213, 217, 222, and 252 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

PART 209—CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS

209.104-1 [Amended]

2. Section 209.104-1 is amended by removing paragraph (g)(iii).

209.104-70 [Amended]

3. Section 209.104-70 is amended by removing paragraph (c).

PART 212—ACQUISITION OF COMMERCIAL ITEMS

212.503 [Amended]

4. Section 212.503 is amended by removing paragraph (a)(xii).

PART 213—SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION PROCEDURES

213.005 [Removed]

5. Section 213.005 is removed.

PART 217—SPECIAL CONTRACTING METHODS

217.207 [Removed]

6. Section 217.207 is removed.

PART 222—APPLICATION OF LABOR LAWS TO GOVERNMENT ACQUISITIONS

222.1304 [Removed]

7. Section 222.1304 is removed.

PART 252—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

252.209–7003 [Removed and Reserved]

8. Section 252.209–7003 is removed and reserved.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Part 225

[DFARS Case 2001–D019]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Memorandum of Understanding—Switzerland

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to reflect a determination of the Deputy Secretary of Defense that it is inconsistent with the public interest to apply the restrictions of the Buy American Act to the acquisition of defense equipment produced or manufactured in Switzerland.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone (703) 602–0288; facsimile (703) 602–0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2001–D019.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

A memorandum of understanding between the Government of the Swiss Confederation and the Government of the United States provides for both governments to remove barriers to procurements of conventional defense supplies produced in the other country, and to accord to industries in the other country treatment no less favorable in relation to procurement than is accorded to industries of its own country. Therefore, DoD has determined that it is inconsistent with the public interest to apply the restrictions of the Buy American Act to the acquisition of defense equipment produced or manufactured in Switzerland. This final rule amends DFARS 225.872–1 to add Switzerland to the list of countries for which DoD has made such public interest determinations, and to remove Switzerland from the list of countries for which exemption from the Buy

American Act is permitted only on a purchase-by-purchase basis.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

This final rule will not have a significant effect beyond the internal operating procedures of DoD. Therefore, publication for public comment is not required. However, DoD will consider comments from small entities concerning the affected DFARS subpart in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 610. Such comments should cite DFARS Case 2001–D019.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 225

Government procurement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

Therefore, 48 CFR Part 225 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 225 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

PART 225—FOREIGN ACQUISITION

225.872–1 [Amended]

2. Section 225.872–1 is amended as follows:

a. In paragraph (a) by adding, in alphabetical order, “Switzerland” to the list of countries; and

b. In paragraph (b) by removing “Switzerland” from the list of countries.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Part 252

[DFARS Case 2000–D027]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Tax Exemptions (Italy)

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement

(DFARS) to update requirements pertaining to tax exemptions for DoD contracts performed in Italy.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Susan Schneider, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone (703) 602–0326; facsimile (703) 602–0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2000–D027.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

DoD uses the contract clause at DFARS 252.229–7003, Tax Exemptions (Italy), when contract performance will be in Italy. This rule amends the clause at DFARS 252.229–7003 to update the information pertaining to tax exemptions that contractors must include on their invoices.

DoD published a proposed rule at 66 FR 48652 on September 11, 2001. DoD received no comments on the proposed rule. Therefore, DoD is adopting the proposed rule as a final rule without change.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule makes minor changes to invoicing requirements that apply only to DoD contracts performed in Italy.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not add any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 252

Government procurement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

Therefore, 48 CFR Part 252 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 252 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.