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to suspend payments, to terminate a contract, or to debar or to suspend a contractor.

(b) The recommendation shall be submitted through the HCA to the SPE and shall include a full description of the disruption of USDA operations should the determination not be waived.

(c) The SPE will submit the request for a waiver to the Secretary with a recommendation for action.

Subpart 423.6—Notice of Radioactive Material

423.601 Requirements.

The HCA shall establish a system of instructions to identify the installation/facility radiation protection officer.

Subpart 423.7—Contracting for Environmentally Preferable and Energy-Efficient Products and Services

423.704 Policy.

In its acquisitions, USDA will give preference to environmentally preferable and energy-efficient products and services.

PART 424—PROTECTION OF PRIVACY AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

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Subpart 424.1—Protection of Individual Privacy

424.103 Procedures.

USDA regulations implementing the Privacy Act are found in 7 CFR, sub-

title A, part 1, subpart G. Contracting officers shall follow these regulations when responding to requests for information or awarding contracts that will involve the design, development, or operation of a system of records on individuals to accomplish agency functions.

424.104 Contract clauses.

When applicable, the contracting officer shall insert the clause at 452.224-70, Confidentiality of Information, in contracts involving confidential information.

Subpart 424.2—Freedom of Information Act

424.203 Policy.

USDA regulations implementing the Freedom of Information Act are found in 7 CFR, subtitle A, part 1, subpart A. Contracting officers shall follow these regulations when responding to requests for information or awarding contracts that will involve the design, development, or operation of a system of records on individuals to accomplish agency functions.

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Subpart 425.1—Buy American Act—Supplies

425.102 Policy.

The Senior Procurement Executive (SPE) shall make the determination prescribed in FAR 25.102(a)(3).

425.105 Evaluating offers.

The SPE shall make the determinations prescribed in FAR 25.105. Requests for SPE approval shall be submitted by the HCA, in writing, and shall provide a detailed justification supporting why the proposed award is in the best interest of the Government.

425.108 Excepted articles, materials, and supplies.

(a) Copies of determinations of non-availability in accordance with FAR 25.102(a)(4) or 25.202(a)(3), for articles, material or supplies not listed in FAR 25.108, shall be submitted to the SPE for submission to the FAR Council.

(b) Information required by FAR 25.108(c) shall be submitted to the SPE for submission to the FAR Council.

Subpart 425.2—Buy American Act—Construction Materials

425.202 Policy.

(a) The SPE shall make the determination prescribed in FAR 25.202(a)(3).

(b) If a contracting officer proposes that the use of a particular domestic construction material should be waived for a contract on the grounds that its use would be impracticable, the contracting officer shall submit a proposed determination with supporting infor-

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mation through the HCA to the SPE for approval or disapproval.

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425.203–425.204 [Reserved]

Subpart 425.3—Balance of Payments Program

425.302 Policy.

The HCA shall make the determinations prescribed in FAR 25.302(b)(2) and (3) and may authorize differentials greater than 50 percent as prescribed in FAR 25.302(c).

425.304 Excess and near-excess foreign currencies.

HCA's shall make the determinations as to the feasibility of using excess or near-excess currency.

Subpart 425.4—Trade Agreements

425.402 Policy.

Whenever the U.S. Trade Representative publishes a redetermination of the dollar threshold at which the Trade Agreements Act applies, that dollar threshold will be published in a Departmental Notice, 5025 series.

Subpart 425.9—Additional Foreign Acquisition Clauses

425.901 Omission of audit clause.

The SPE shall make the determination under FAR 25.901(c)(1).

Subpart 425.10—Implementation of Sanctions Against Countries That Discriminate Against United States Products or Services in Government Procurement

425.1002 Trade sanctions.

The Secretary, without power of re-delegation, has the authority to make the necessary determination(s) and authorize award(s) of contract(s) in accordance with FAR 25.1002(c).