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PART 219—SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS

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219.000 Scope of part.

This part also implements 10 U.S.C. 2323, which sets a goal for DoD for each of fiscal years 1987 through 2009 to—

(1) Award five percent of contract and subcontract dollars to small disadvantaged business (SDB) concerns, historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs), and minority institutions (MIs) (See part 226 for policy/procedures on HBCU/MIs); and

(2) Maximize the number of such entities in DoD contracting and subcontracting.

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 59 FR 27670, May 27, 1994; 64 FR 62987, Nov. 18, 1999; 68 FR 15381, Mar. 31, 2003; 71 FR 39008, July 11, 2006]

219.001 Definitions.

Small disadvantaged business concern is defined:

(1) At FAR 52.219-23(a) (i.e., a firm is considered a small disadvantaged business (SDB) concern by receiving certification by the Small Business Administration and meeting the other listed criteria), except as specified in paragraph (2) of this definition.

(2) At FAR 52.219-23(a) or 52.219-1(b)(2) for the following purposes (i.e., a firm is considered an SDB concern by either receiving certification by the Small Business Administration and meeting the other listed criteria or self-representing its status for general statistical purposes):

(i) A higher customary progress payment rate for SDB concerns (see 232.501-1(a)(i) and 252.232-7004(c)).

(ii) A lower threshold for inclusion of customary progress payments in contracts with SDB concerns (see 232.502-1).

(iii) The prompt payment policy for SDB concerns in 232.903 and 232.905(2).

(iv) Reporting contract actions with SDB concerns ("Type of Business" on the DD Form 350, Individual Contracting Action Report (see 253.204-70(d)(5)(i)(A)) or "Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) Actions" on the DD Form 1057, Monthly Contracting Sum-

mary of Actions \$25,000 or Less (see 253.204-71(g)(2)).

[63 FR 64429, Nov. 20, 1999]

Subpart 219.2—Policies

219.201 General policy.

(d) For the defense agencies, the director of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization must be appointed by, be responsible to, and report directly to the director or deputy director of the defense agency.

(8) The responsibility for assigning small business technical advisors is delegated to the head of the contracting activity.

(10) Contracting activity small business specialists perform this function by—

(A) Reviewing and making recommendations for all acquisitions (including orders placed against Federal Supply Schedule contracts) over \$10,000, except those under \$100,000 that are totally set aside for small business concerns in accordance with FAR 19.502-2. Follow the procedures at PGI 219.201(d)(10) regarding such reviews;

(B) Making the review before issuance of the solicitation or contract modification and documenting it on DD Form 2579, Small Business Coordination Record; and

(C) Referring recommendations that have been rejected by the contracting officer to the Small Business Administration (SBA) procurement center representative. If an SBA procurement center representative is not assigned, see FAR 19.402(a).

(11) Also conduct annual reviews to assess—

(A) The extent of consolidation of contract requirements that has occurred (see 207.170); and

(B) The impact of those consolidations on the availability of small business concerns to participate in procurements as both contractors and subcontractors.

(e) For information on the appointment and functions of small business specialists, see PGI 219.201(e).

(f) The Directors, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, of the military departments and defense

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agencies are responsible for determining whether use of the price evaluation adjustment to achieve a small disadvantaged business goal has caused non-SDB firms in a particular North American Industry Classification System Industry Subsector to bear an undue burden or other inappropriate effect. A copy of each determination shall be forwarded to the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), simultaneously with submittal to the Office of Federal Procurement Policy.

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 63 FR 41973, Aug. 6, 1998; 64 FR 2598, Jan. 15, 1999; 65 FR 39705, June 27, 2000; 65 FR 50149, Aug. 17, 2000; 65 FR 63807, Oct. 25, 2000; 69 FR 55987, Sept. 17, 2004; 71 FR 44927, Aug. 8, 2006]

219.202 Specific policies.

219.202-1 Encouraging small business participation in acquisitions.

The DoD will maximize the use of small business concerns as planned producers in the Industrial Readiness Planning Program.

219.202-5 Data collection and reporting requirements.

Determine the premium percentage to be entered in Item D4C of the Individual Contracting Action Report (DD Form 350), (see 253.204-70), as follows:

(1) For small disadvantaged business or historically black college and university/minority institution set-asides, divide the difference between the fair market price and the award price by the fair market price.

(2) For price evaluation adjustment awards (see FAR Subpart 19.11), divide the difference between the low responsive offer and the award price by the low responsive offer.

(3) For partial small business set-asides with preferential consideration for small disadvantaged business concerns, divide the difference between the award price on the non-set-aside portion and the award price on the set-aside portion by the award price on the non-set-aside portion.

(b) Within 60 days after the end of each fiscal year, departments and agencies shall submit the report to the Sec-

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retary of Defense, who will report to the SBA on behalf of all DoD departments and agencies. Reports must include—

(i) Justification for failure to meet goals established by the Office of the Secretary of Defense; and

(ii) Planned actions for increasing participation by such firms in future contract awards.

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 63 FR 41973, Aug. 6, 1998; 65 FR 63804, Oct. 25, 2000]

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(b) The contracting activity small business specialist is the primary activity focal point for interface with the SBA.

Subpart 219.5—Set-Asides for Small Business

219.502 Setting aside acquisitions.

219.502-1 Requirements for setting aside acquisitions.

Do not set aside acquisitions for—

(1) Supplies which were developed and financed, in whole or in part, by Canadian sources under the U.S.-Canadian Defense Development Sharing Program; or

(2) Architect-engineer services for military construction or family housing projects of \$300,000 or more (10 U.S.C. 2855), including indefinite delivery and indefinite quantity contracts if the value of all anticipated orders is expected to total \$300,000 or more.

[58 FR 28465, May 13, 1993, as amended at 69 FR 31909, June 8, 2004]

219.502-2 Total set-asides.

(a) Unless the contracting officer determines that the criteria for set-aside cannot be met, set aside for small business concerns acquisitions for—

(i) Construction, including maintenance and repairs, under \$2 million;

(ii) Dredging under \$1 million; and

(iii) Architect-engineer services for military construction or family housing projects of under \$300,000.

[58 FR 28465, May 13, 1993, as amended at 69 FR 31909, June 8, 2004]

219.502-3 Partial set-asides.

(c)(1) If the North American Industry Classification System Industry Subsector of the acquisition is one in which use of a price evaluation adjustment for small disadvantaged business concerns is currently authorized (see FAR 19.201(b)), apply the adjustment to the non-set-aside portion.

[65 FR 50149, Aug. 17, 2000]

219.505 Rejecting Small Business Administration recommendations.

(b) The designee shall be at a level no lower than chief of the contracting office.

Subpart 219.6—Certificates of Competency

219.602 Procedures.

219.602-1 Referral.

When making a nonresponsibility determination on a small business concern, the contracting officer shall notify the contracting activity's small business specialist.

[58 FR 28465, May 13, 1993, as amended at 60 FR 40107, Aug. 7, 1995]

219.602-3 Resolving differences between the agency and the Small Business Administration.

(c)(i) If the contracting officer believes the agency should appeal, the contracting officer shall immediately inform the departmental director of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, and send the director, through departmental channels—

(A) A request for appeal, summarizing the issues. The request must be sent to arrive within five working days after receipt of the SBA Headquarters' written position.

(B) An appeal file, documenting the contracting activity's position. The file must be sent to arrive within five working days after transmission of the request.

(ii) The departmental director will determine whether the agency will appeal and will notify the SBA of the agency's intent.

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 62 FR 34122, June 24, 1997]

Subpart 219.7—The Small Business Subcontracting Program

219.702 Statutory requirements.

(a) Section 834 of Public Law 101-189, as amended (15 U.S.C. 637 note), requires DoD to establish a test program to determine whether comprehensive subcontracting plans on a corporate, division, or plant-wide basis will reduce administrative burdens while enhancing subcontracting opportunities for small and small disadvantaged business concerns.

(i) The test program—

(A) Will be conducted—

(1) From October 1, 1990, through September 30, 2010;

(2) In accordance with the DoD test plan, "Test Program for Negotiation of Comprehensive Small Business Subcontracting Plans"; and

(3) By the military departments and defense agencies through specifically designated contracting activities; and

(B) Permits contractors selected for participation in the test program by the designated contracting activities to—

(1) Negotiate plant, division, or company-wide comprehensive subcontracting plans instead of individual contract subcontracting plans; and

(2) Use the comprehensive plans when performing any DoD contract or subcontract that requires a subcontracting plan.

(ii) During the test period, comprehensive subcontracting plans will—

(A) Be negotiated on an annual basis by the designated contracting activities;

(B) Be incorporated by the contractors' cognizant contract administration activity into all of the contractors' active DoD contracts that require a plan;

(C) Be accepted for use by contractors participating in the test, whether performing at the prime or subcontract level; and

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(D) Not be subject to application of liquidated damages during the period of the test program (Section 402, Pub. L. 101-574).

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 60 FR 35668, July 10, 1995; 61 FR 39900, July 31, 1996; 63 FR 14640, Mar. 26, 1998; 64 FR 62987, Nov. 18, 1999; 70 FR 14574, Mar. 23, 2005]

219.703 Eligibility requirements for participating in the program.

(a) Qualified nonprofit agencies for the blind and other severely disabled, that have been approved by the Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled under the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48), are eligible to participate in the program as a result of 10 U.S.C. 2410d and Section 9077 of Pub. L. 102-396 and similar sections in subsequent Defense appropriations acts. Under this authority, subcontracts awarded to such entities may be counted toward the prime contractor's small business subcontracting goal.

(2)(A) To be eligible as an SDB subcontractor, a concern must meet the definition in 219.001.

(B) To be eligible as a historically black college or university or minority institution subcontractor, such entity must meet the definition in the clause at 252.219-7003, Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Plan (DoD Contracts).

(b) A contractor may also rely on the written representation as to status of—

(i) A historically black college or university or minority institution; or

(ii) A qualified nonprofit agency for the blind or other severely disabled approved by the Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

[57 FR 42630, Sept. 15, 1992, as amended at 58 FR 28465, May 13, 1993; 60 FR 13075, Mar. 10, 1995; 60 FR 41157, Aug. 11, 1995; 60 FR 61596, Nov. 30, 1995; 61 FR 50535, Sept. 26, 1996; 63 FR 11530, Mar. 9, 1998; 63 FR 41974, Aug. 6, 1998; 64 FR 51076, Sept. 21, 1999; 64 FR 62986, Nov. 18, 1999]

219.704 Subcontracting plan requirements.

(a)(1) The goal for use of small disadvantaged business concerns shall include subcontracts with historically

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black colleges and universities and minority institutions (see subpart 226.70), in addition to subcontracts with small disadvantaged business concerns. Subcontracts with historically black colleges and universities and minority institutions do not have to be included in the small disadvantaged business goal in commercial items subcontracting plans.

(4) In those subcontracting plans which specifically identify small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small businesses, prime contractors shall notify the administrative contracting officer of any substitutions of firms that are not small, small disadvantaged, or women-owned small businesses for the firms listed in the subcontracting plan. Notifications shall be in writing and shall occur within a reasonable period of time after award of the subcontract. Contractor-specified formats shall be acceptable.

[60 FR 61596, Nov. 30, 1995, as amended at 61 FR 18687, Apr. 29, 1996]

219.705 Responsibilities of the contracting officer under the subcontracting assistance program.

219.705-2 Determining the need for a subcontracting plan.

(d) See 215.304 for unique DoD requirements.

[59 FR 27670, May 27, 1994, as amended at 64 FR 51076, Sept. 21, 1999]

219.705-4 Reviewing the subcontracting plan.

(d) Challenge any subcontracting plan that does not contain positive goals and consider the extent to which an offeror plans to use competition restricted to historically black colleges and universities or minority institutions. A small disadvantaged business goal of less than five percent must be approved one level above the contracting officer.

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 63 FR 41974, Aug. 6, 1998; 69 FR 67855, Nov. 22, 2004]

219.706 Responsibilities of the cognizant administrative contracting officer.

(a)(i) The contract administration office also is responsible for reviewing, evaluating, and approving master subcontracting plans.

(ii) The small business specialist supports the administrative contracting officer in evaluating a contractor's performance and compliance with its subcontracting plan.

219.708 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

(b)(1)(A) Use the clause at 252.219-7003, Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Plan (DoD Contracts), in solicitations and contracts that contain the clause at FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan.

(B) In contracts with contractors which have comprehensive subcontracting plans approved under the test program described in 219.702(a), use the clause at 252.219-7004, Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Test Program), instead of the clauses at 252.219-7003, Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Plan (DoD Contracts), and FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan.

(2) In contracts with contractors that have comprehensive subcontracting plans approved under the test program described in 219.702(a), do not use the clause at FAR 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan.

(c)(1) Do not use the clause at FAR 52.219-10, Incentive Subcontracting Program, in contracts with contractors that have comprehensive subcontracting plans approved under the test program described in 219.702(a).

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 56 FR 67213, Dec. 30, 1991; 61 FR 39901, July 31, 1996; 63 FR 64429, Nov. 20, 1998; 65 FR 52952, Aug. 31, 2000; 67 FR 49252, July 30, 2002]

Subpart 219.8—Contracting With the Small Business Administration (The 8(a) Program)

219.800 General.

(a) By Partnership Agreement (PA) dated February 1, 2002, between the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Department of Defense (DoD), the SBA delegated to the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics) its authority under paragraph 8(a)(1)(A) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637(a)) to enter into 8(a) prime contracts, and its authority under 8(a)(1)(B) of the Small Business Act to award the performance of those contracts to eligible 8(a) Program participants. However, the SBA remains the prime contractor on all 8(a) contracts, continues to determine eligibility of concerns for contract award, and retains appeal rights under FAR 19.810. The SBA delegates only the authority to sign contracts on its behalf. Consistent with the provisions of this subpart, this authority is hereby redelegated to DoD contracting officers within the United States or its outlying areas, to the extent that it is consistent with any dollar or other restrictions established in individual warrants. This authority expires on September 30, 2006.

(b) Contracts awarded under the PA may be awarded directly to the 8(a) participant on either a sole source or competitive basis. An SBA signature on the contract is not required.

(c) Notwithstanding the PA, the contracting officer may elect to award a contract pursuant to the provisions of FAR Subpart 19.8.

[67 FR 11436, Mar. 14, 2002, as amended at 69 FR 58354, Sept. 30, 2004; 70 FR 35545, June 21, 2005; 70 FR 57191, Sept. 30, 2005]

219.803 Selecting acquisitions for the 8(a) Program.

(b) Contracting activities should respond to SBA requests for contract support within 30 calendar days after receipt.

(c) Before considering a small business set-aside, review the acquisition for offering under the 8(a) Program.

[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 63 FR 41974, Aug. 6, 1998]

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219.804 Evaluation, offering, and acceptance.

219.804-1 Agency evaluation.

(f) The 8(a) firms should be offered the opportunity to give a technical presentation.

[63 FR 41974, Aug. 6, 1998]

219.804-2 Agency offering.

(1) For requirements processed under the PA cited in 219.800 (but see paragraph (2) of this subsection for procedures related to purchase orders that do not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold), the notification to the SBA shall clearly indicate that the requirement is being processed under the PA. All notifications should be submitted in writing, using facsimile or electronic mail, when possible, and shall specify that—

(i) Under the PA, an SBA acceptance or rejection of the offering is required within 5 working days of receipt of the offering; and

(ii)(A) For sole source requirements, an SBA acceptance shall include a size verification and a determination of the 8(a) firm's program eligibility, and, upon acceptance, the contracting officer will solicit a proposal, conduct negotiations, and make award directly to the 8(a) firm; or

(B) For competitive requirements, upon acceptance, the contracting officer will solicit offers, conduct source selection, and, upon receipt of an eligibility verification, award a contract directly to the selected 8(a) firm.

(2) Under the PA cited in 219.800, no separate agency offering or SBA acceptance is needed for requirements that are issued under purchase orders that do not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. After an 8(a) contractor has been identified, the contracting officer shall establish the prices, terms, and conditions with the 8(a) contractor and shall prepare a purchase order consistent with the procedures in Part 213 and FAR Part 13, including the applicable clauses required by this subpart. No later than the day that the purchase order is provided to the 8(a) contractor, the contracting officer shall provide to the cognizant SBA Business Opportunity Specialist, using facsimile, electronic mail, or any

other means acceptable to the SBA district office—

(i) A copy of the signed purchase order; and

(ii) A notice stating that the purchase order is being processed under the PA. The notice also shall indicate that the 8(a) contractor will be deemed eligible for award and will automatically begin work under the purchase order unless, within 2 working days after SBA's receipt of the purchase order, the 8(a) contractor and the contracting officer are notified that the 8(a) contractor is ineligible for award.

(3) The notification to SBA shall identify any joint venture proposed for performance of the contract. SBA shall approve a joint venture before award of an 8(a) contract involving the joint venture.

(4) For competitive requirements for construction to be performed overseas, submit the notification to SBA Headquarters.

[67 FR 11437, Mar. 14, 2002, as amended at 67 FR 49256, July 30, 2002]

219.804-3 SBA acceptance.

For requirements processed under the PA cited in 219.800, SBA's acceptance is required within 5 working days (but see 219.804-2(2) for purchase orders that do not exceed the simplified acquisition threshold).

[63 FR 33587, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11436, Mar. 14, 2002]

219.805 Competitive 8(a).

219.805-1 General.

(b)(2)(A) For acquisitions that exceed the competitive threshold, the SBA also may accept the requirement for a sole source 8(a) award on behalf of a small business concern owned by a Native Hawaiian Organization (Section 8020 of Pub. L. 109-148).

(B) *Native Hawaiian Organization*, as used in this subsection and as defined by 15 U.S.C. 637(a)(15) and 13 CFR 124.3, means any community service organization serving Native Hawaiians in the State of Hawaii—

(1) That is a not-for-profit organization chartered by the State of Hawaii;

(2) That is controlled by Native Hawaiians; and

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(3) Whose business activities will principally benefit such Native Hawaiians.

[70 FR 43073, July 26, 2005, as amended at 71 FR 34832, June 16, 2006]

219.805-2 Procedures.

(c) For requirements processed under the PA cited in 219.800—

(i) For sealed bid and negotiated acquisitions, the SBA will determine the eligibility of the firms and will advise the contracting officer within 2 working days after its receipt of a request for an eligibility determination; and

(ii) For negotiated acquisitions, the contracting officer may submit a request for an eligibility determination on all firms in the competitive range if discussions are to be conducted, or on all firms with a realistic chance of award if no discussions are to be conducted.

[63 FR 33588, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11436, Mar. 14, 2002]

219.806 Pricing the 8(a) contract.

For requirements processed under the PA cited in 219.800—

(1) The contracting officer shall obtain cost or pricing data from the 8(a) contractor, if required by FAR subpart 15.4; and

(2) SBA concurrence in the negotiated price is not required. However, except for purchase orders not exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold, the contracting officer shall notify the SBA prior to withdrawing a requirement from the 8(a) Program due to failure to agree on price or other terms and conditions.

[63 FR 33588, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11437, Mar. 14, 2002; 67 FR 49256, July 30, 2002]

219.808 Contract negotiations.

219.808-1 Sole source.

For requirements processed under the PA cited in 219.800—

(1) The agency may negotiate directly with the 8(a) contractor. The contracting officer is responsible for initiating negotiations;

(2) The 8(a) contractor is responsible for negotiating within the time established by the contracting officer;

(3) If the 8(a) contractor does not negotiate within the established time and the agency cannot allow additional time, the contracting officer may, after notifying the SBA, proceed with the acquisition from other sources;

(4) If requested by the 8(a) contractor, the SBA may participate in negotiations; and

(5) SBA approval of the contract is not required.

[63 FR 33588, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11437, Mar. 14, 2002]

219.811 Preparing the contracts.

219.811-1 Sole source.

(a) Awards under the PA cited in 219.800 may be made directly to the 8(a) contractor and, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection and in 219.811-3, award documents shall be prepared in accordance with procedures established for non-8(a) contracts, using any otherwise authorized award forms. The "Issued by" block shall identify the awarding DoD contracting office. The contractor's name and address shall be that of the 8(a) participant.

(b) Use the following alternative procedures for direct awards made under the PA cited in 219.800:

(i) Cite 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(5) as the authority for use of other than full and open competition;

(ii) Include the clause at 252.219-7009, which allows for direct award to the 8(a) contractor, and identify the cognizant SBA district office for the 8(a) contractor;

(iii) No SBA contract number is required; and

(iv) Do not require an SBA signature on the award document.

[63 FR 33588, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11437, Mar. 14, 2002; 67 FR 49256, July 30, 2002]

219.811-2 Competitive.

Awards made under the PA cited in 219.800 shall be prepared in accordance with 219.811-1.

[63 FR 33588, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11437, Mar. 14, 2002; 67 FR 49256, July 30, 2002]

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219.811-3 Contract clauses.

(1) Use the clause at 252.219-7009, Section 8(a) Direct Award, instead of the clauses at FAR 52.219-11, Special 8(a) Contract Conditions, FAR 52.219-12, Special 8(a) Subcontract Conditions, and FAR 52.219-17, Section 8(a) Award, in solicitations and contracts processed in accordance with the PA cited in 219.800.

(2) Use the clause at FAR 52.219-18, Notification of Competition Limited to Eligible 8(a) Concerns, with 252.219-7010, Alternate A, in solicitations and contracts processed in accordance with the PA cited in 219.800.

(3) Use the clause at 252.219-7011, Notification to Delay Performance, in solicitations and purchase orders issued in accordance with 219.804-2(2).

[63 FR 33588, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11437, Mar. 14, 2002]

219.812 Contract administration.

(d) Awards under the PA cited in 219.800 are subject to Section 407 of Pub. L. 100-656. These contracts include the clause at 252.219-7009, Section 8(a) Direct Award, which requires the 8(a) contractor to notify the SBA and the contracting officer when ownership of the firm is being transferred.

[63 FR 33588, June 19, 1998, as amended at 67 FR 11437, Mar. 14, 2002]

Subpart 219.10—Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program

219.1005 Applicability.

(a)(i) Architect-engineering services in support of military construction projects or military family housing projects are exempt from the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program, except for the emerging small business (ESB) set-aside requirements. Accordingly, these shall—

(A) Be reviewed for possible award under the 8(a) Program regardless of dollar value.

(B) Not be set aside for small business if the estimated value is \$300,000 or more (including indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contracts if the value of all anticipated orders exceeds \$300,000).

(C) Be considered for ESB set-aside if the estimated value is both less than the emerging small business reserve amount and less than \$300,000.

(D) Be considered for small business set-aside if the estimated value is less than \$300,000, regardless of whether small business set-asides for other architect-engineer services are prohibited under the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program, when an ESB set-aside is not appropriate.

(ii) All requirements of the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program apply to architect-engineer services in support of other than military construction projects or military housing objects, which otherwise meet criteria in FAR subpart 19.10.

(b) The targeted industry categories for DoD are:

North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Description	NAICS Code
(1) Pharmaceutical Preparation Manufacturing	325412
(2) Ammunition (except Small Arms) Manufacturing	332993
(3) Other Ordnance and Accessories Manufacturing	332995
(4) Turbine and Turbine Generator Set Unit Manufacturing	333611
(5) Aircraft Engine and Engine Parts Manufacturing (including Research and Development)	336412
(6) Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Manufacturing (including Research and Development)	336414
(7) Other Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing (including Research and Development)	336419
(8) Military Armored Vehicle, Tank and Tank Component Manufacturing	336992
(9) Search and Navigation System and Instrument Manufacturing ...	334511
(10) (i) Cellular and Other Wireless Telecommunications	517212
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[56 FR 36353, July 31, 1991, as amended at 59 FR 27670, May 27, 1994; 62 FR 34122, June 24, 1997; 63 FR 41974, Aug. 6, 1998; 65 FR 50149, Aug. 17, 2000; 66 FR 49861, Oct. 1, 2001; 68 FR 50476, Aug. 21, 2003; 69 FR 31909, June 8, 2004]

219.1007 Procedures.

(a)(2) When it is not practical to mark the face page of an award document, alternative means may be used to identify the contract as an award under the Small Business Competitive-ness Demonstration Program.

(b)(1) The Director, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics) (OUSD(AT&L)), will determine whether reinstatement of small business set-asides is necessary to meet the agency goal and will recommend reinstatement to the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy (OUSD(AT&L)). Military departments and defense agencies shall not reinstate small business set-asides unless directed by the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy.

(d) Reporting requirements are at 204.670-2.

[65 FR 39705, June 27, 2000, as amended at 68 FR 7439, Feb. 14, 2003; 70 FR 6374, Feb. 7, 2005]

Subpart 219.11—Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns

219.1102 Applicability.

(b) The price evaluation adjustment also shall not be used in acquisitions that are for commissary or exchange resale.

(c) Also, do not use the price evaluation adjustment in acquisitions that use tiered evaluation of offers, until a tier is reached that considers offers from other than small business concerns.

[63 FR 41974, Aug. 6, 1998, as amended at 71 FR 53043, Sept. 8, 2006]

Subpart 219.12—Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program

SOURCE: 63 FR 64429, Nov. 20, 1998, unless otherwise noted.

219.1203 Incentive subcontracting with small disadvantaged business concerns.

The contracting officer shall encourage increased subcontracting opportunities for SDB concerns in negotiated acquisitions by providing monetary incentives in the North American Industry Classification System Industry Subsectors for which use of an evaluation factor or subfactor for participation of SDB concerns is currently authorized (see FAR 19.201(b)). Incentives for exceeding SDB subcontracting targets shall be paid only if an SDB subcontracting target was exceeded as a result of actual subcontract awards to SDBs, and not a result of developmental assistance credit under the Pilot Mentor-Protégé Program (see Subpart 219.71).

[63 FR 64429, Nov. 20, 1998, as amended at 65 FR 50149, Aug. 17, 2000]

219.1204 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

(c) The contracting officer shall, when contracting by negotiation, insert in solicitations and contracts containing the clause at FAR 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program-Disadvantaged Status and Reporting, a clause substantially the same as the clause at FAR 52.219-26, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program-Incentive Subcontracting, when authorized (see FAR 19.1203). The contracting officer may include an award fee provision in lieu of the incentive; in such cases, however, the contracting officer shall not use the clause at FAR 52.219-26. Do not use award fee provisions in contracts with contractors that have comprehensive subcontracting plans approved under the test program described in 219.702(a).

Subpart 219.13—Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone) Program

219.1307 Price evaluation preference for HUBZone small business concerns.

(a) Also, do not use the price evaluation preference in acquisitions that use tiered evaluation of offers, until a tier

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is reached that considers offers from other than small business concerns.

[71 FR 53043, Sept. 8, 2006]

Subpart 219.70 [Reserved]

Subpart 219.71—Pilot Mentor-Protégé Program

SOURCE: 65 FR 6555, Feb. 10, 2000, unless otherwise noted.

219.7100 Scope.

This subpart implements the Pilot Mentor-Protégé Program (hereafter referred to as the "Program") established under Section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101-510; 10 U.S.C. 2302 note). The purpose of the Program is to provide incentives for DoD contractors to assist protege firms in enhancing their capabilities and to increase participation of such firms in Government and commercial contracts.

[66 FR 47108, Sept. 11, 2001, as amended at 69 FR 74995, Dec. 15, 2004]

219.7101 Policy.

DoD policy and procedures for implementation of the Program are contained in Appendix I, Policy and Procedures for the DoD Pilot Mentor-Protégé Program.

219.7102 General.

The Program includes—

(a) Mentor firms that are prime contractors with at least one active subcontracting plan negotiated under FAR Subpart 19.7 or under the DoD Comprehensive Subcontracting Test Program.

(b) Protege firms that are—

(1)(i) small disadvantaged business concerns as defined at 219.001(1);

(ii) Business entities owned and controlled by an Indian tribe;

(iii) business entities owned and controlled by a Native Hawaiian Organization;

(iv) Qualified organizations employing the severely disabled;

(v) Women-owned small business concerns;

(vi) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns; or

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(vii) HUBZone small business concerns;

(2) Eligible for receipt of Federal contracts; and

(3) Selected by the mentor firm.

(c) Mentor-protégé agreements that establish a developmental assistance program for a protégé firm.

(d) Incentives that DoD may provide to mentor firms, including—

(1) Reimbursement for developmental assistance costs through—

(i) A separately priced contract line item on a DoD contract; or

(ii) A separate contract, upon written determination by the cognizant Component Director, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (SADBU), that unusual circumstances justify reimbursement using a separate contract; or

(2) Credit toward applicable subcontracting goals, established under a subcontracting plan negotiated under FAR Subpart 19.7 or under the DoD Comprehensive Subcontracting Test Program, for developmental assistance costs that are not reimbursed.

[65 FR 6555, Feb. 10, 2000; 65 FR 30191, May 10, 2000, as amended at 66 FR 47108, Sept. 11, 2001; 69 FR 74995, Dec. 15, 2004; 70 FR 29645, May 24, 2005]

219.7103 Procedures.

219.7103-1 General.

The procedures for application, acceptance, and participation in the Program are in Appendix I, Policy and Procedures for the DoD Pilot Mentor-Protégé Program. The Director, SADBU, of each military department or defense agency has the authority to approve contractors as mentor firms, approve mentor-protégé agreements, and forward approved mentor-protégé agreements to the contracting officer when funding is available.

[69 FR 74995, Dec. 15, 2004]

219.7103-2 Contracting officer responsibilities.

Contracting officers must—

(a) Negotiate an advance agreement on the treatment of developmental assistance costs for either credit or reimbursement if the mentor firm proposes

such an agreement, or delegate authority to negotiate to the administrative contracting officer (see FAR 31.109).

(b) Modify (without consideration) applicable contract(s) to incorporate the clause at 252.232-7005, Reimbursement of Subcontractor Advance Payments—DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program, when a mentor firm provides advance payments to a protege firm under the Program and the mentor firm requests reimbursement of advance payments.

(c) Modify (without consideration) applicable contract(s) to incorporate other than customary progress payments for protege firms in accordance with FAR 32.504(c) if a mentor firm provides such payments to a protege firm and the mentor firm requests reimbursement.

(d) Modify applicable contract(s) to establish a contract line item for reimbursement of developmental assistance costs if—

(1) A DoD program manager or the cognizant Component Director, SADBU, has made funds available for that purpose; and

(2) The contractor has an approved mentor-protégé agreement.

(e) Negotiate and award a separate contract for reimbursement of developmental assistance costs only if—

(1) Funds are available for that purpose;

(2) The contractor has an approved mentor-protégé agreement; and

(3) The cognizant Component Director, SADBU, has made a determination in accordance with 219.7102(d)(1)(ii).

(f) Not authorize reimbursement for costs of assistance furnished to a protégé firm in excess of \$1,000,000 in a fiscal year unless a written determination from the cognizant Component Director, SADBU, is obtained.

(g) Advise contractors of reporting requirements in Appendix I.

(h) Provide a copy of the approved Mentor-Protege agreement to the Defense Contract Management Agency administrative contracting officer responsible for conducting the annual

performance review (see appendix I, section I-113).

[65 FR 6555, Feb. 10, 2000; 65 FR 30191, May 10, 2000, as amended at 65 FR 50150, Aug. 17, 2000; 66 FR 47109, Sept. 11, 2001; 69 FR 74995, Dec. 15, 2004]

219.7104 Developmental assistance costs eligible for reimbursement or credit.

(a) Developmental assistance provided under an approved mentor-protege agreement is distinct from, and must not duplicate, any effort that is the normal and expected product of the award and administration of the mentor firm's subcontracts. The mentor firm must accumulate and charge costs associated with the latter in accordance with its approved accounting practices. Mentor firm costs that are eligible for reimbursement are set forth in appendix I.

(b) Before incurring any costs under the Program, mentor firms must establish the accounting treatment of developmental assistance costs eligible for reimbursement or credit. Advance agreements are encouraged. To be eligible for reimbursement under the Program, the mentor firm must incur the costs before October 1, 2013.

(c) If the mentor firm is suspended or debarred while performing under an approved mentor-protege agreement, the mentor firm may not be reimbursed or credited for developmental assistance costs incurred more than 30 days after the imposition of the suspension or debarment.

(d) Developmental assistance costs incurred by a mentor firm before October 1, 2013, that are eligible for crediting under the Program, may be credited toward subcontracting plan goals as set forth in appendix I.

[65 FR 6555, Feb. 10, 2000; 65 FR 30191, May 10, 2000, as amended at 67 FR 77937, Dec. 20, 2002; 70 FR 29645, May 24, 2005]

219.7105 Reporting.

Mentor and protege firms must report on the progress made under mentor-protege agreements as indicated in appendix I, section I-112.

[65 FR 6555, Feb. 10, 2000, as amended at 69 FR 74996, Dec. 15, 2004]

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219.7106 Performance reviews.

The Defense Contract Management Agency will conduct annual performance reviews of all mentor-protégé agreements as indicated in appendix I, section I-113. The determinations made in these reviews should be a major factor in determinations of amounts of reimbursement, if any, that the mentor firm is eligible to receive in the remaining years of the Program participation term under the agreement.

[65 FR 50150, Aug. 17, 2000, as amended at 69 FR 74996, Dec. 15, 2004]

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