§ 1260.6 Publication.

The official site for accessing the NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook, including current Grant Notices, is on the internet at: http://ec.msfc.nasa.gov/hq/grcover.htm

§ 1260.7 Deviations.

(a) A deviation is required for any of the following:

(1) When a prescribed provision (but not a special condition) set forth verbatim in this part 1260 is modified or omitted.

(2) When a provision is set forth in this part 1260, but not for use verbatim, and the Center substitutes a provision which is inconsistent with the intent, principle, and substance of the provision.

(3) When a form prescribed by this part 1260 is altered or another form is used in its place.

(4) When limitations, imposed by this handbook upon the use of a grant provision, form, procedure, or any other grant action, are changed.

(5) When a form is created for recipient use that constitutes a “Collection of Information” within the meaning of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 35) and its implementation in 5 CFR part 1320.

(b) Requests for authority to deviate from this part 1260 shall be submitted to the Office of Procurement, NASA Headquarters, Procurement Operations Division (HS). Requests, signed by the procurement officer, shall contain:

(1) A full description of the deviation, the circumstances in which it will be used, and identification of the requirement from which a deviation is sought;

(2) The rationale for the request, pertinent background information, and the intended effect of the deviation;

(3) The name of the recipient, identification of the grant affected, and the dollar value;

(4) A statement as to whether the deviation has been requested previously, and, if so, details of that request; and

(5) A copy of legal counsel’s concurrence or comments.

(c) Where it is necessary to obtain a deviation on OMB Circular A-110 (subpart B of this part 1260), Code HS will process all necessary documents in accordance with § 1260.104.

§ 1260.8 Announcements.

Announcements for grants and cooperative agreements shall use the solicitation numbering scheme stated in NFS 1804.7102, “Numbering scheme for solicitations”.

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§ 1260.9 Synopses requirements.

(a) All announcements of grant and cooperative agreement funding opportunities shall be synopsized. Synopses shall be prepared in the NASA Acquisition Internet Service (NAIS), located at: http://prod.nais.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/nais/index.cgi; by using the Electronic Posting System (EPS), and transmitted to http://www.Fedgrants.gov. Synopses shall be electronically posted to: http://www.Fedgrants.gov no later than three business days after release of the full announcement. All synopses shall include instructions regarding where to obtain the full announcement for the opportunity.

(b) This requirement applies to all announcements of grant and cooperative agreement funding opportunities with the following exceptions:

(1) Announcements of opportunities for awards less than $25,000 for which 100 percent of eligible applicants live outside of the United States.

(2) Single source announcements of opportunities that are specifically directed to a known recipient.

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PRE-AWARD REQUIREMENTS

§ 1260.10 Proposals.

(a) Consistent with 31 U.S.C. 6301(3), NASA’s policy is to use competitive procedures to award grants whenever possible. A grant can result from:

(1) A proposal submitted in response to a Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) such as a NASA Research Announcement (NRA) or an Announcement of Opportunity (AO), a Cooperative Agreement Notice (CAN), an Agencywide program announcement such as the Graduate Student Research Program, or other forms of announcements approved by the Associate Administrator for Procurement (HS). NRA’s