#### § 74.72

(g) In the event a final audit has not been performed prior to the closeout of an award, HHS retains the right to recover an appropriate amount after fully considering the recommendations on disallowed costs resulting from the final audit.

# §74.72 Subsequent adjustments and continuing responsibilities.

- (a) The closeout of an award does not affect any of the following:
- (1) The right of the HHS awarding agency to disallow costs and recover funds on the basis of a later audit or other review.
- (2) The obligation of the recipient to return any funds due as a result of later refunds, corrections, or other transactions.
  - (3) Audit requirements in § 74.26.(4) Property management require-
- ments in §§ 74.31 through 74.37.
  (5) Records retention requirements in
- (5) Records retention requirements in §74.53.

(b) After closeout of an award, a relationship created under an award may be modified or ended in whole or in part with the consent of the HHS awarding agency and the recipient, provided the responsibilities of the recipient referred to in §74.72(a), including those for property management as applicable, are considered and provisions made for continuing responsibilities of the recipient, as appropriate.

## §74.73 Collection of amounts due.

- (a) Any funds paid to a recipient in excess of the amount to which the recipient is finally determined to be entitled under the terms and conditions of the award constitute a debt to the Federal Government. If not paid within a reasonable period after the demand for payment, the HHS awarding agency may reduce the debt by paragraph (a) (1), (2), or (3) of this section:
- (1) Making an administrative offset against other requests for reimbursements.
- (2) Withholding advance payments otherwise due the recipient.
- (3) Taking other action permitted by statute.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided by law, HHS awarding agencies will charge interest on an overdue debt in accordance with 4 CFR ch. II, "Federal

Claims Collection Standards." (See 45 CFR part 30.)

# Subpart E—Special Provisions for Awards to Commercial Organizations

SOURCE: 59 FR 43760, Aug. 25, 1994, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 74.80 Scope of subpart.

This subpart contains provisions that apply to awards to commercial organizations. These provisions are in addition to other applicable provisions of this part, or they make exceptions from other provisions of this part for awards to commercial organizations.

#### §74.81 Prohibition against profit.

Except for awards under the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer Research (STTR) programs (15 U.S.C. 638), no HHS funds may be paid as profit to any recipient even if the recipient is a commercial organization. Profit is any amount in excess of allowable direct and indirect costs.

[59 FR 43760, Aug. 25, 1994, as amended at 61 FR 11747, Mar. 22, 1996]

### §74.82 Program income.

The additional costs alternative described in §74.24(b)(1) may not be applied to program income earned by a commercial organization except in the SBIR and STTR programs.

# § 74.83 Effect on intangible property.

Data sharing (FOIA) requirements as set forth in §74.36(d)(1) do not apply to commercial organizations.

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# Subpart F—Disputes

Source: 59 FR 43760, Aug. 25, 1994, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 74.90 Final decisions in disputes.

(a) HHS attempts to promptly issue final decisions in disputes and in other matters affecting the interests of recipients. However, final decisions adverse to the recipient are not issued until it is clear that the matter cannot