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32.111 Contract clauses for non-commercial purchases.

(a) The contracting officer shall insert the following clauses, appropriately modified with respect to payment due dates, in accordance with agency regulations—

(1) The clause at 52.232–1, Payments, in solicitations and contracts when a fixed-price supply contract, a fixed-price service contract, or a contract for nonregulated communication services is contemplated;

(2) The clause at 52.232–2, Payment under Fixed-Price Research and Development Contracts, in solicitations and contracts when a fixed-price research and development contract is contemplated;

(3) The clause at 52.232–3, Payments under Personal Services Contracts, in solicitations and contracts for personal services;

(4) The clause at 52.232–4, Payments under Transportation Contracts and Transportation-Related Services Contracts, in solicitations and contracts for transportation or transportation-related services;

(b) The contracting officer should accept the financing payments as reimbursable costs of the prime contract only under the following conditions:

(1) The payments are made under the criteria in subpart 32.5 for customary progress payments based on costs, 32.202–1 for commercial item purchase financing, or 32.1003 for performance-based payments, as applicable.

(2) If customary progress payments are made, the payments do not exceed the progress payment rate in 32.501–1, unless unusual progress payments to the subcontractor have been approved in accordance with 32.501–2.

(3) If custom financial payments are made, the subcontractor complies with the liquidation principles of 32.503–8, 32.503–9, and 32.503–10.

(4) If performance-based payments are made, the subcontractor complies with the liquidation principles of 32.1004(d).

(5) The subcontract contains financing payments terms as prescribed in this part.

32.110 Payment of subcontractors under cost-reimbursement prime contracts.

If the contractor makes financing payments to a subcontractor under a cost-reimbursement prime contract, the contracting officer should accept the financing payments as reimbursable costs of the prime contract only under the following conditions:

(a) The payments are made under the criteria in subpart 32.5 for customary progress payments based on costs, 32.202–1 for commercial item purchase financing, or 32.1003 for performance-based payments, as applicable.

(b) If customary progress payments are made, the payments do not exceed the progress payment rate in 32.501–1, unless unusual progress payments to the subcontractor have been approved in accordance with 32.501–2.

(c) If custom financial payments are made, the subcontractor complies with the liquidation principles of 32.503–8, 32.503–9, and 32.503–10.

(d) If performance-based payments are made, the subcontractor complies with the liquidation principles of 32.1004(d).

(e) The subcontract contains financing payments terms as prescribed in this part.

32.108 Financial consultation.

Each contracting office should have available and use the services of contract financing personnel competent to evaluate credit and financial problems. In resolving any questions concerning (a) the financial capability of an offeror or contractor to perform a contract or (b) what form of contract financing is appropriate in a given case, the contracting officer should consult the appropriate contract financing office.

32.109 Termination financing.

To encourage contractors to invest their own funds in performance despite the susceptibility of the contract to termination for the convenience of the Government, the contract financing procedures under this part may be applied to the financing of terminations either in connection with or independently of financing for contract performance (see 49.112–1).

32.107 Need for contract financing not a deterrent.

(a) If the contractor or offeror meets the standards prescribed for responsible prospective contractors at 9.104, the contracting officer shall not treat the contractor’s need for contract financing as a handicap for a contract award; e.g., as a responsibility factor or evaluation criterion.

(b) The contractor should not be disqualified from contract financing solely because the contractor failed to indicate a need for contract financing before the contract was awarded.

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