

## Department of Veterans Affairs

804.1102

Service, for subsequent submission by the Secretary to Congress.

### **803.806 Processing suspected violations.**

A VA employee must report suspected violations of 31 U.S.C. 1352, Limitation on Use of Appropriated Funds to Influence Certain Federal Contracting and Financial Transactions, to the Assistant Secretary for Management and the VA Office of the Inspector General.

### **Subpart 803.70—Contractor Responsibility to Avoid Improper Business Practices**

#### **803.7000 Display of the VA Hotline poster.**

(a) Under the circumstances described in paragraph (b) of this section, a contractor must display prominently a VA Hotline poster prepared by the VA Office of Inspector General in a common work area within a business segment performing work under a VA contract.

(b) A contractor must comply with paragraph (a) of this section when all of the following apply:

(1) The contractor is awarded a VA contract for \$500,000 or more for supplies or services, or \$3 million or more for construction.

(2) The contractor has not established an internal reporting mechanism and program, such as a hotline, by which employees may report suspected instances of improper conduct, and instructions that encourage employees to make such reports.

#### **803.7001 Contract clause.**

The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 852.203-71, Display of Department of Veterans Affairs Hotline poster, in solicitations and contracts expected to equal or exceed the dollar thresholds established in 803.7000.

## **PART 804—ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

### **Subpart 804.1—Contract Execution**

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804.101 Contracting officer's signature.

804.1102 Vendor Information Pages (VIP) Database.

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### **Subpart 804.1—Contract Execution**

#### **804.101 Contracting officer's signature.**

(a) If a contracting officer's name and title has been typed, stamped, or printed on the contract, and that contracting officer is not available to sign the contract, another contracting officer, as specified in 801.602, may sign the contract.

(b) The contracting officer who signs the contract must have contracting authority to cover the contract to be signed and must annotate his or her name and title below his or her signature.

#### **804.1102 Vendor Information Pages (VIP) Database.**

Prior to January 1, 2012, all VOSBs and SDVOSBs must be listed in the VIP database, available at <http://www.VetBiz.gov>, and also must be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) (see 48 CFR subpart 4.11) to receive contract awards under VA's Veteran-owned Small Business prime contracting and subcontracting opportunities program. After December 31, 2011, all VOSBs, including SDVOSBs, must be listed as verified in the VIP database, and also must be registered in the CCR to be eligible to participate in order to receive new contract awards under this program.

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