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(d) When, in accordance with FAR Subpart 28.3 and FAR 47.102, a shipment must be insured or the value declared, the contracting officer will specifically instruct the vendor to do so on the order when a written order is used. If the order is oral, the vendor must annotate all copies of the purchase request to show that the insurance/declared value was specifically requested.

847.305 Solicitation provisions, contract clauses, and transportation factors.

847.305-70 Potential destinations known but quantities unknown.

When the VA National Acquisition Center contracts with multiple bidders to provide items directly to VA field installations on an f.o.b. origin basis, the evaluation of bids must follow specific procedures. To place each bid on an equal basis, even though specific quantities required by each facility cannot be predetermined, the contracting officer must use an anticipated demand factor in proportion to the number of hospital beds or patient workload. The clause prescribed in \$52.247-70 must be used in these instances

847.306 Transportation factors in the evaluation of offers.

847.306-70 Transportation payment and audit.

Transportation payments are audited by the Traffic Manager to ensure that payment and payment mechanisms for agency transportation are uniform and appropriate in accordance with 41 CFR part 102–118.

PART 849—TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS

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849.101 Authorities and responsibilities.

- (a) While legal review and concurrence of the General Counsel is required prior to a default termination, in some cases where a quick response is necessary, this review can be expedited by express mailing or faxing the default letter and related documents which are required to make an evaluation directly to General Counsel (025). The default termination letter should contain, at a minimum, the following:
- (1) The proposed termination (FAR 49.102);
- (2) An explanation of what necessitated the default, including the reasons why the contracting officer considers the contractor to be in default;
- (3) A statement that the factors set forth in FAR 49.402–3(f) have been fully considered; and
- (4) Final decision language and appeal rights.
- (b) Contracts containing a mutual termination clause may be terminated without reference to the General Counsel.

849.106 Fraud or other criminal conduct.

- (a) If the contracting officer suspects fraud or other criminal conduct related to the settlement of a terminated contract, the contracting officer must do the following:
- (1) Immediately discontinue all negotiations.
- (2) Submit all of the pertinent facts necessary to support the suspicions to either of the following:
 - (i) The DSPE
- (ii) The Director, Office of Construction and Facilities Management, in the case of contracting officers from the Office of Construction and Facilities Management.
- (3) Follow procedures as provided in 809.406–3 and 809.407–3.
- (b) The DSPE or the Director, Office of Construction and Facilities Management, must review the submission and fully develop the facts.