same time as any change to the threshold for application of the Truth in Negotiations Act.

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Subpart 1644.2—Consent to Subcontracts

1644.270 FEHBP contract clause.

The clause set forth at section 1652.244-70 shall be inserted in all experience rated FEHBP contracts.

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PART 1645—GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 8913; 40 U.S.C. 486(c); 48 CFR 1 301

SOURCE: 62 FR 47576, Sept. 10, 1997, unless otherwise noted.

Subpart 1645.3—Providing Equipment

1645.303-70 Contract clause.

The clause set forth in section 1652.245-70 shall be inserted in all FEHB Program contracts.

PART 1646—QUALITY ASSURANCE

Subpart 1646.2—Contract Quality Requirements

Sec.

1646.201 Contract Quality Policy.

Subpart 1646.3—Contract Clauses

 $\begin{array}{ccc} 1646.301 & Contractor & inspection & requirements. \end{array}$

AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 8913; 40 U.S.C. 486(c); 48

Subpart 1646.2—Contract Quality Requirements

1646.201 Contract Quality Policy.

- (a) This section prescribes general policies and procedures to ensure that services acquired under the FEHB contract conform to the contract's quality and audit requirements.
- (b) OPM will periodically evaluate the contractor's system of internal

controls under the quality assurance program required by the contract and will acknowledge in writing whether or not the system is consistent with the requirements set forth in the contract. After the initial review, subsequent reviews may be limited to changes in the contractor's internal control guidelines. However, a limited review does not diminish the contractor's obligation to apply the full internal control system.

- (c) OPM will issue specific quality performance standards for the FEHB contracts and will inform carriers of the applicable standards prior to negotiations for the contract year. OPM will benchmark its standards against standards generally accepted in the insurance industry. The contracting officer may authorize nationally recognized standards to be used to fulfill this requirement. FEHB carriers will comply with the performance standards issued by OPM.
- (d) In addition to reviewing carriers' quality assurance programs, OPM will periodically audit contractors, subcontractors and Large Providers' books and records to assure compliance with FEHB law, regulations, and the contract

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Subpart 1646.3—Contract Clauses

1646.301 Contractor inspection requirements.

The clause set forth at 1652.246-70 shall be inserted in all FEHBP contracts.

 $[52 \; \mathrm{FR} \; 16044, \; \mathrm{May} \; 1, \; 1987]$

PART 1649—TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS

Sec

1649.002--70 Applicability of the FAR to FEHB acquisitions.

Subpart 1649.1—General Principles

1649.101-70 FEHBP renewal and withdrawal of approval clause.

1649.101-71 FEHBP termination for convenience clause.

1649.101-72 FEHBP termination for default clause.