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Administrator.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

41 CFR Part 101-20

RIN 3090-AG00

Small Purchase Authority

AGENCY: General Services Administration.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This General Services Administration (GSA) proposed rule revises the regulations regarding the delegation of authority to occupant agencies to contract for reimbursable space alterations. The present FPMR provisions stated in 101-20.106.1 cite a project accomplishment threshold of \$25,000. This threshold was established based on the small purchase authority in place at the time of the original publication of this provision.

Since the purpose of this FPMR provision is to provide occupant agencies choices in their use of a service provider, it is recommended that the Simplified Acquisition Procurement threshold be used. Rather than establish an authority at a selected value, the reference should be changed to link it to the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994. Therefore, if the value of the statute changes the FPMR would not require a change. The present Simplified Acquisition Procedures (SAP) authority is \$50,000 for GSA procurement activities.

Modifying the FPMR provisions to tie to the SAP authority gives occupants increased flexibility in accomplishing alteration tasks and fully delegates the authority to do the work.

No other changes are suggested.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 15, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to General Services Administration, Office of Property Management, Portfolio Customer Team (PMX), 18th and F Streets, NW, Room G118, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeffrey Neely, Portfolio Customer Team, PMX, (202) 208-1497.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The General Services Administration (GSA) has determined that this rule is not a significant regulatory action for the purposes of Executive Order 12866.

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the revisions do not impose record keeping or information collection requirements, or collections of information from offerors, contractors, or members of the public which require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

This rule is not required to be published in the Federal Register for notice and comment. Therefore, the Regulatory Flexibility Act does not apply.

List of Subjects in 41 CFR Part 101-20

Concessions, Federal buildings and facilities, Government property management.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, it is proposed to amend 41 CFR Part 101-20 as follows:

PART 101-20—MANAGEMENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

1. The authority citation for Part 101-20 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Sec. 205(c) of Pub. L. 152, 63, Stat., 390, 40 U.S.C., 486(c).

Subpart 101-20.1—Buildings Operations, Maintenance, Protection, and Alterations

2. Section 202-20.106-1 is amended by revising paragraphs (b) and (e) to read as follows:

§ 101-20.106-1 Placing of orders for reimbursable alterations by occupant agencies.

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(b) No individual order, or combination of orders for a single alteration project, shall exceed the statutory limitation for a simplified acquisition procedure, and agencies shall not split orders so as to circumvent this limitation.

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(e) Where no GSA contracts or agreements are in effect, an agency may contract directly for services up to the maximum of the statutory limitation for simplified acquisition procedures per project after obtaining written approval of the GSA buildings manager. Agencies contracting directly must provide the GSA buildings manager with complete documentation of the scope of work and contract specifications at the time of submission for approval. Each project shall include appropriate reviews by the regional safety staff. If contracting for security systems, agencies must submit the design work to the regional Federal Protective Service Division for review and approval. Agencies shall be responsible for inspecting and certifying

satisfactory completion of the ordered work. All work must conform to GSA fire and safety standards. GSA at anytime has the authority to make inspections and require correction if the project is found not in compliance with GSA fire and safety standards. As-built drawings must be submitted to the GSA buildings manager within 30 days of completion of work.

Dated: April 5, 1996.

Robert A. Peck,

Commissioner, Public Buildings Service.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Parts 36 and 69

[CC Docket 96-45; DA-96-926]

Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The purpose of the notice is to inform the general public of a meeting that will be held by the Federal-State Joint Board on universal service.

DATES: The Federal-State Joint Board in CC Docket 96-45 will hold an open meeting on Wednesday, June 19, 1996 at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 856 at 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Irene Flannery, Accounting and Audits Division, Common Carrier Bureau, at (202) 418-0847.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the meeting, the Federal-State Joint Board will hear from two panels of experts addressing universal service issues set forth in Section 254 of the Telecommunications Act. Specifically, the panelists will address what types of functionalities schools, libraries, and rural health care providers require of telecommunications services, as well as the cost, on a nationwide basis, of providing services able to deliver those functionalities.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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