on January 15, 2009, is adopted as a final rule without change.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Parts 203 and 252

RIN 0750–AG09

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Whistleblower Protections for Contractor Employees (DFARS Case 2008–D012)

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has adopted as final, without change, an interim rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to implement section 846 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 and section 842 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009. These laws address protections for contractor employees who disclose information to Government officials with regard to waste or mismanagement, danger to public health or safety, or violation of law related to a DoD contract.

DATES: *Effective Date:* November 19, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, Defense Acquisition Regulations System, OUSD (AT&L) DPAP (DARS), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone 703–602–0328; facsimile 703–602–7887. Please cite DFARS Case 2008–D012.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

DoD published an interim rule at 74 FR 2410 on January 15, 2009, to implement section 846 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Pub. L. 110–181) and Section 842 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Pub. L. 110–417). These laws address whistleblower rights and protections for DoD contractor employees.

DoD received no comments on the interim rule. Therefore, DoD has adopted the interim rule as a final rule without change.

This rule was subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.* Although the rule contains a requirement for contractors to inform employees in writing of their whistleblower rights and protections, compliance with this requirement is not expected to have a significant cost or administrative impact on contractors.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply, because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 203 and 252

Government procurement.

Amy G. Williams,

Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

■ Accordingly, the interim rule amending 48 CFR parts 203 and 252, which was published at 74 FR 2410 on January 15, 2009, is adopted as a final rule without change.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Part 205

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS); Technical Amendments

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD is making a technical amendment to the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to correct a cross-reference within the DFARS text.

DATES: *Effective Date:* November 19, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, OUSD (AT&L) DPAP (DARS), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone 703–602–0328; facsimile 703–602–7887.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This final rule amends DFARS text at 205.301, by correcting the cross-reference in paragraph (a)(s–70)(i)(B) to the exception for acquisitions of chemical warfare protective clothing from the restrictions on food, clothing, fabrics, and hand or measuring tools at 225.7002.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 205

Government procurement.

Amy G. Williams,

Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

■ Therefore, 48 CFR part 205 is amended as follows:

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■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR part 205 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR chapter 1.

■ 2. In section 205.301, paragraph (a)(i)(B) is revised to read as follows:

205.301 General.

(a) * * *

(i) * * *

(B) The acquisition is for chemical warfare protective clothing, and the contracting officer has determined that an exception to domestic source requirements applies because the acquisition furthers an agreement with a qualifying country, in accordance with 225.7002–2(n).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Part 208

RIN 0750–AG03

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Competition Requirements for Purchases From Federal Prison Industries (DFARS Case 2008–D015)

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has adopted as final, without change, an interim rule