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- (3) The contract is for subsistence, clothing or textiles, fuels, or supplies purchased and used outside the United States:
- (4) The contracting officer determines that it would not be practicable to require offerors/contractors to provide the information, e.g., nonrepetitive local purchases; or
- (5) The contracting officer determines that the exception at 217.7302(b) applies to all items under the solicitation.
- (b) If appropriate, use the provision at 252.217-7026, Identification of Sources of Supply, or one substantially the same, in service contracts requiring the delivery of supplies.

# Subpart 217.74—Undefinitized Contract Actions

#### 217.7400 Scope.

This subpart prescribes policies and procedures implementing 10 U.S.C. 2326.

#### 217.7401 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

- (a) Contract action means an action which results in a contract.
- (1) It includes contract modifications for additional supplies or services.
- (2) It includes task orders and delivery orders.
- (3) It does not include change orders, administrative changes, funding modifications, or any other contract modifications that are within the scope and under the terms of the contract, e.g., engineering change proposals, value engineering change proposals, and over and above work requests as described in Subpart 217.77. For policy relating to definitization of change orders, see 243.204–70.
- (b) Definitization means the agreement on, or determination of, contract terms, specifications, and price, which converts the undefinitized contract action to a definitive contract.
- (c) Qualifying proposal means a proposal containing sufficient data for the DoD to do complete and meaningful analyses and audits of the—
  - (1) Data in the proposal; and
- (2) Any other data that the contracting officer has determined DoD

needs to review in connection with the contract.

(d) Undefinitized contract action means any contract action for which the contract terms, specifications, or price are not agreed upon before performance is begun under the action. Examples are letter contracts, orders under basic ordering agreements, and provisioned item orders, for which the price has not been agreed upon before performance has begun. For policy relating to definitization of change orders, see 243.204–70.

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## 217.7402 Exceptions.

- (a) The following undefinitized contract actions (UCAs) are not subject to this subpart. However, the contracting officer shall apply the policy and procedures to them to the maximum extent practicable (also see paragraph (b) of this section):
  - (1) UCAs for foreign military sales;
- (2) Purchases at or below the simplified acquisition threshold;
  - (3) Special access programs;
- (4) Congressionally mandated longlead procurement contracts.
- (b) If the contracting officer determines that it is impracticable to adhere to the policy and procedures of this subpart for a particular contract action that falls within one of the categories in paragraph (a)(1), (3), or (4) of this section, the contracting officer shall provide prior notice, through agency channels, electronically via email to the Deputy Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy (Contract Policy and International Contracting), at osd.pentagon.ousd-atl.mbx.cpic@mail.mil.

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### 217.7403 Policy.

DoD policy is that undefinitized contract actions shall—  $\,$ 

- (a) Be used only when—
- (1) The negotiation of a definitive contract action is not possible in sufficient time to meet the Government's requirements; and
- (2) The Government's interest demands that the contractor be given a