

(ii) Ordinarily within 30 days of the submission of the Contractor's payment request to the Government.

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**48 CFR Parts 7 and 19**

[FAC 2001-10; Item V]

**Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document makes amendments to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) in order to update references and make editorial changes.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* November 22, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The FAR Secretariat, Room 4035, GS Building, Washington, DC, 20405, (202) 501-4755, for information pertaining to status or publication schedules. Please cite FAC 2001-10, Technical Amendments.

**List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 7 and 19**

Government procurement.

Dated: November 12, 2002.

**Al Matera,**  
*Director, Acquisition Policy Division.*

Therefore, DoD, GSA, and NASA amend 48 CFR parts 7 and 19 as set forth below:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR parts 7 and 19 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 40 U.S.C. 486(c); 10 U.S.C. chapter 137; and 42 U.S.C. 2473(c).

**PART 7—ACQUISITION PLANNING**

2. Amend section 7.105 by adding a sentence to the end of paragraph (b)(4)(i) to read as follows:

**7.105 Contents of written acquisition plans.**

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(b) \* \* \*

(4) *Acquisition considerations.* (i) \* \* \* Provide rationale if a performance-based contract will not be used or if a performance-based contract for services is contemplated on other than a firm-fixed-price basis (see 37.102(a) and 16.505(a)(3)).

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**PART 19—SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS**

**19.502-2 [Amended]**

3. Amend section 19.502-2 in the first sentence of paragraph (a) by removing “13.202(g)” and adding “13.201(g)” in its place.

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**48 CFR Chapter 1**

**Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Small Entity Compliance Guide.

**SUMMARY:** This document is issued under the joint authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services and the Administrator for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. This *Small Entity Compliance Guide* has been prepared in accordance with Section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-121). It consists of a summary of rules appearing in Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2001-10 which amend the FAR. An asterisk (\*) next to a rule indicates that a regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 604. Interested parties may obtain further information regarding these rules by referring to FAC 2001-10 which precedes this document. These documents are also available via the Internet at <http://www.arnet.gov/far>.

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**Item I—General Records Schedule (FAR Case 2002-016)**

This final rule amends the FAR to reflect the previous language of FAR 4.705-2 exactly as it was written prior to revision of this subsection by FAC 97-18, Item IV, General Records Schedule (FAR case 1999-615) published in the **Federal Register** on

June 6, 2000 (65 FR 36012). It was brought to the attention of the Councils that the prior change to FAR 4.705-2 made in FAC 97-18 inadvertently resulted in longer record retention periods for contractors and subcontractors. This final rule—

- Revises the subsection title of FAR 4.705-2 to read “Pay administration

records” instead of “Construction contract pay administration records,” thus, making all record retention requirements in the entire subsection applicable to all contracts rather than limiting it to construction contracts;

- Revises FAR 4.705-2(a) to change from a record retention period of 3 years after completion of contract unless