

measured, assigned, and allocated in accordance with 48 CFR 9904.413–50(c)(12); and

(2) For contracts and subcontracts that are not subject to full coverage under the CAS, the amount measured, assigned, and allocated in accordance with 48 CFR 9904.413–50(c)(12), except the numerator of the fraction at 48 CFR 9904.413–50(c)(12)(vi) shall be the sum of the pension plan costs allocated to all non-CAS covered contracts and subcontracts that are subject to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 31.2 or for which cost or pricing data were submitted.

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[63 FR 58598, Oct. 30, 1998, as amended at 68 FR 69257, Dec. 11, 2003; 69 FR 59704, Oct. 5, 2004; 69 FR 60967, Oct. 14, 2004]

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## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

### 48 CFR Parts 1807 and 1817

#### Acquisition Planning and Special Contracting Methods

##### CFR Correction

In Title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapters 15 to 28, revised as of October 1, 2006, on page 185, reinstate section 1807.7201, and on page 204, reinstate section 1817.7300 to read as follows:

##### 1807.7201 Definitions.

*Class of contracts* means a grouping of acquisitions, either by dollar value or by the nature of supplies and services to be acquired.

*Contract opportunity* means planned new contract awards exceeding \$25,000.

##### 1817.7300 Definitions.

(a) *Down-selection*. In a phased acquisition, the process of selecting contractors for later phases from among the preceding phase contractors.

(b) *Phased Acquisition*. An incremental acquisition implementation comprised of several distinct phases where the realization of program/project objectives requires a planned, sequential acquisition of each phase. The phases may be acquired separately, in combination, or through a down-selection strategy.

(c) *Progressive Competition*. A type of down-selection strategy for a phased acquisition. In this method, a single solicitation is issued for all phases of the program. The initial phase contracts are awarded, and the contractors for subsequent phases are expected to be chosen through a down-selection from among the preceding phase contractors.

In each phase, progressively fewer contracts are awarded until a single contractor is chosen for the final phase. Normally, all down-selections are accomplished without issuance of a new, formal solicitation.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

#### 49 CFR Part 171

[Docket No. PHMSA–2005–23141 (HM–215F)]

RIN 2137–AE01

#### Hazardous Materials: Revision and Reformatting of Requirements for the Authorization To Use International Transport Standards and Regulations; Correction

**AGENCY:** Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule; correction.

**SUMMARY:** On May 3, 2007, PHMSA published a final rule to amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR; Parts 171–180) by revising and consolidating the requirements applicable to the use of the International Civil Aviation Organization’s Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air, the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code, the Canadian Transport of Dangerous Goods Regulations, and the International Atomic Energy Agency Safety Standards Series: Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material. This rule corrects errors in the final rule.

**DATES:** *Effective date:* September 28, 2007.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On May 3, 2007, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA, we) published a final rule under Docket No. PHMSA–2005–23141 (HM–215F) to amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR;

49 CFR Parts 171–180) by revising and consolidating the requirements applicable to the use of the International Civil Aviation Organization’s Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air, the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code, the Canadian Transport of Dangerous Goods Regulations, and the International Atomic Energy Agency Safety Standards Series: Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material. The final rule is effective as of October 1, 2007.

The Dangerous Goods Advisory Council (DGAC), an organization of industry stakeholders, filed an appeal to the May 3 final rule on June 4, 2007. We are addressing most elements of DGAC’s appeal in a separate response, which will be included in the docket for this rulemaking. In the meantime, we are issuing this correction to address certain errors that DGAC identified in the text of the May 3 final rule.

##### Correction

The May 5 final rule added a new § 171.22, which provides authorization and conditions for the use of international standards and regulations for the commercial transportation of hazardous materials to, from, or within the United States. Paragraph (g) of this section requires shipments to conform to applicable HMR requirements, including the general packaging requirements in §§ 173.24 and 173.24a and the reuse, reconditioning, and remanufacture requirements in § 173.28. The notice of proposed rulemaking issued under this docket on January 27, 2006 (71 FR 4544) proposed to apply these requirements “for export shipments”. The phrase “for export shipments” was inadvertently dropped from the May 3 final rule. It was not our intention to require compliance with §§ 173.24, 173.24a, or 173.28 for import shipments. Therefore, in this final rule, we are reinserting the phrase “for export shipments” in paragraphs (g)(5) and (g)(6) of § 173.22.

The DGAC appeal also identifies a typographical error in § 171.12(a)(2). Use of the term “subpart” in § 171.12(a)(2) is incorrect. This paragraph should read: “When the provisions of this subchapter require a DOT specification or UN standard packaging to be used for transporting a hazardous material, a packaging authorized by the Transport Canada TDG Regulations may be used, subject to the limitations of this part, and only if it is equivalent to the corresponding DOT specification or UN packaging (see § 173.24(d)(2) of this subchapter) authorized by this subchapter.” We are