245.7304 Informal bid procedures.

(a) Upon approval of the plant clearance officer, the contractor may issue informal invitations to bid (orally, telephonically, or by other informal media), provided—

(1) Maximum practical competition is maintained;

(2) Sources solicited are recorded; and

(3) Informal bids are confirmed in writing.

(b) Bids by the contractor or its employees shall be submitted to the plant clearance officer prior to soliciting bids from other prospective bidders.

245.7305 Sale approval and award.

The plant clearance officer will—

(1) Evaluate bids to establish that the sale price is fair and reasonable, taking into consideration—

(i) Knowledge or tests of the market;

(ii) Current published prices for the property;

(iii) The nature, condition, quantity, and location of the property; and

(iv) Information from the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service.

(2) Approve award to the responsible bidder whose bid is most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. Award shall not be approved to any bidder who is not eligible to enter into a contract with the DoD due to inclusion on the list of Parties Excluded from Procurement Programs. If a compelling reason exists to award to a bidder on the excluded list, the plant clearance officer shall request approval from the headquarters of the administering activity.

(3) Notify the contractor within five working days of the bidder to whom an award shall be made. The contractor shall make the award, collect the proceeds of the sale, and release the property to the purchaser. The contractor shall provide the plant clearance officer with evidence of delivery reflecting actual quantities released to the purchaser.

245.7306 Sales services.

When sale services are needed, the plant clearance officer will document the reasons in the case file and make arrangements directly with the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service (DRMS) or General Services Administration (GSA). The arrangements will include a requirement to return all proceeds to the plant clearance officer for crediting in compliance with FAR 45.610-3.

245.7307 Non-competitive sales.

245.7307-1 General.

(a) Non-competitive sales include purchases or retention at less than cost by the contractor.

(b) Non-competitive sales may be made when—

(1) The contracting department/agency or the plant clearance officer determines that this method is essential to expeditious plant clearance;

(2) The sale is otherwise justified on the basis of circumstances listed in 245.7307-2;

(3) The Government’s interests are adequately protected; and

(4) FAR subpart 1.7 requirements are met.

(c) Non-competitive sales shall be at fair and reasonable prices not less than those reasonably expected under competitive sale.