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(f) Upon written request, providing small businesses (in the preference program areas named in 419.201) the bidders’ mailing lists of individuals receiving solicitations which will contain the subcontracting clause entitled “Utilization of Small Business Concerns” (FAR 52.219-8). These lists may be limited to those supplies or services of major interest to the requesting firms.

(g) Developing a program of contacts with local and small (to include all preference program areas named in 419.201) trade, business, and professional associations and organizations and Indian tribal councils to apprise them of USDA’s program needs and recurring contract requirements.

(h) Periodically meeting with program managers to discuss requirements of the small business preference program, to explore the feasibility of breaking large complex requirements into smaller lots suitable for participation by small firms, and to encourage program managers to meet with these firms so that their capabilities can be demonstrated.

(i) Establishing internal operating procedures which implement the requirements of the regulations as set forth in this part 419.

(j) Compiling data and preparing all reports pertaining to the small business program activities, and ensuring that these reports are accurate, complete and up-to-date.

(k) Assisting and counseling small business firms.

(l) Reviewing proposed large contract requirements that may be bundled to determine the potential for breaking out components suitable for purchase from small business firms.

(m) Ensuring that the SBA Resident Procurement Center Representative (PCR) is provided an opportunity and reasonable time to review any solicitation that meets the dollar threshold for small business (including all preference program areas named in 419.201) subcontracting plans.

419.201–73 Reports.

The Director, OSDBU, shall be responsible for submitting reports concerning USDA’s progress and achievements in the procurement preference program.

Subpart 419.5—Set-Asides for Small Business

419.508 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

The contracting officer shall insert the provision at 452.219–70, Size Standard and NAICS Code Information, in solicitations that are set aside for small businesses.


Subpart 419.6—Certificates of Competency and Determinations of Responsibility

419.602 Procedures.

419.602–1 Referral.

Contracting officers shall refer determinations of non-responsibility regarding small businesses directly to the SBA Regional Office servicing the location where the contractor’s office (home) is located.

419.602–3 Resolving differences between the agency and the Small Business Administration.

The HCA is authorized to appeal the issuance of a COC to SBA Headquarters as provided by FAR 19.602–3(a).

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PARTS 420–421 [RESERVED]

PART 422—APPLICATION OF LABOR LAWS TO GOVERNMENT ACQUISITIONS

Subpart 422.1—Basic Labor Policies

Sec. 422.103 Overtime.

422.103–4 Approvals.

Subpart 422.3—Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

422.302 Liquidated damages and overtime pay.