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Subpart 515.5—Preaward, Award, and Postaward Notifications, Protests, and Mistakes

515.506 Postaward debriefing of offerors.

For purposes of determining the date of receipt of a request for a post award debriefing, GSA’s hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Request received after 4:30 p.m. will be considered received the following business day.

Subpart 515.70—Use of Samples

515.7002 Procedures.

(a) Unsolicited samples. The reference to FAR 14.404–2(d) in FAR 14.202–4(g) does not apply.

However, qualifications in the proposal that are at variance with the Government’s requirements, constitute deficiencies. Resolve these as provided in FAR 15.306.

(b) Solicitation requirements. (1) Use the clause at FR 52.214–20. The second sentence in paragraph (c) of the clause does not apply. Substitute a sentence substantially as follows:

Failure of the bid samples to conform to all the required characteristics listed in the solicitation constitutes a deficiency in the proposal (see FAR 15.306).

(2) In addition to listing subjective characteristics that you cannot adequately describe in the specification, you may list and evaluate objective characteristics. To include objective characteristics, you must determine that examination of such characteristics is essential to the acquisition of any acceptable product. Base your determination on past experience or other valid considerations.

(c) FAR 52.215–1(c)(3) applies to samples received after the time set for receipt of offers.

PART 516—TYPES OF CONTRACTS

Subpart 516.2—Fixed Price Contracts

Sec. 516.203–4 Contract clauses.

Subpart 516.5—Indefinite-Delivery Contracts

516.506 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

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Subpart 516.2—Fixed Price Contracts

516.203–4 Contract clauses.

(a) Special Order Program Contracts. In multiyear solicitations and contracts, after making the determination required by FAR 16.203–3, use 552.216–71, Economic Price Adjustment Special Order Program Contracts, or a clause prepared as authorized in paragraph (a)(3) of this subsection.

(1) If the contract includes one or more options to extend the term of the contract, use the clause with its Alternate I or a clause substantially the same as 552.216–71 with its Alternate I suitably modified.

(2) In a contract requiring a minimum adjustment before the price adjustment mechanism is effectuated, use the basic clause with Alternate II or with Alternate I and Alternate II.

(3) If the Producer Price Index is not an appropriate indicator for price adjustment, modify the clause to use an alternate indicator for adjusting prices. Similarly, if other aspects of 552.216–71 are not appropriate, use an alternate clause following established procedures.

(b) Adjustments based on cost indexes of labor or material. (1) If the contracting officer decides to provide for adjustments based on cost indexes of labor or material, prepare a clause that defines each of the following elements:

(i) The type of labor and/or material subject to adjustment;

(ii) The labor rates, including any fringe benefits and/or unit prices of materials that may be increased or decreased;

(iii) The index(es) that will be used to measure changes in price levels and the base period or reference point from which changes will be measured; and

(iv) The period during which the price(s) will be subject to adjustment.