the fee (if any), or the time required for contract performance;
(4) Changes any of the expressed terms, conditions or specifications of the contract;
(5) Interferes with the Contractor’s right to perform the terms and conditions of the contract.
(d) All technical direction shall be issued in writing by the COR.
(e) The Contractor must proceed promptly with the performance of technical direction duly issued by the COR in the manner prescribed by this clause and within its authority under the provisions of this clause. If, in the opinion of the Contractor, any instruction or direction by the COR falls within one of the categories defined in (c)(1) through (c)(5) of this clause, the Contractor must not proceed and must notify the Contracting Officer in writing within five (5) working days after receipt of any such instruction or direction and must request the Contracting Officer to modify the contract accordingly. Upon receiving the notification from the Contractor, the Contracting Officer must—
(1) Advise the Contractor in writing within thirty (30) days after receipt of the Contractor’s letter that the technical direction is within the scope of the contract effort and does not constitute a change under the Changes clause of the contract;
(2) Advise the Contractor in writing within a reasonable time that the Government will issue a written change order; or
(3) Advise the Contractor in writing within a reasonable time not to proceed with the instruction or direction of the COR.
(f) A failure of the Contractor and Contracting Officer either to agree that the technical direction is within the scope of the contract or to agree upon the contract action to be taken with respect to the technical direction will be subject to the provisions of the clause entitled “Disputes.”

(End of clause)