Subpart 1515.2—Solicitation and Receipt of Proposals and Information

1515.209 Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.

In addition to those provisions prescribed at FAR 15.209 and in accordance with FAR 15.203(a)(4), the contracting officer shall identify and include the evaluation factors that will be considered in making the source selection and their relative importance in each solicitation.

(a) The contracting officer shall insert the provisions at 1552.215-70, “EPA Source Evaluation and Selection Procedures—Negotiated Procurement” and either: the provision at 1552.215-71, “Evaluation Factors for Award,” where all evaluation factors other than cost or price when combined are significantly more important than cost or price; or the provision in Alternate I to 1552.215-71, where all evaluation factors other than cost or price when combined are significantly less important than cost or price; or the provision in Alternate II to 1552.215-71, where all evaluation factors other than cost or price when combined are approximately equal to cost or price; or Alternate III to 1552.215-71 where award will be made to the offeror with the lowest-evaluated cost or price whose proposal meets or exceeds the acceptability standards for non-cost factors.

(b) Evaluation factors and significant subfactors should be prepared in accordance with FAR 15.305 and inserted into paragraph (b) of the provision at 1552.215-71, Alternate I, Alternate II, and if used, in Alternate III.

(c) The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 1552.215-75, Past Performance Information, or a clause substantially the same as 1552.215-75, in all competitively negotiated acquisitions with an estimated value in excess of $100,000.


Subpart 1515.3—Source Selection

1515.302 Applicability.

FAR subpart 15.3 and this subpart apply to the selection of source or sources in competitive negotiation acquisitions in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, except architect-engineering services which are covered in 1536.6.

1515.303 Responsibilities.

The Source Selection Authority (SSA) is established as follows:

(a) Acquisitions having a potential value of $25,000,000 or more: Service Center Manager (SCM). This authority is not redelegable.

(b) Acquisitions having a potential value of less than $25,000,000, but more than $10,000,000: SCM, who has the authority to delegate SSA authority to a warranted 1102. If delegated, review by another warranted 1102 designated by the SCM is also required. A Regional Contracting Officer Supervisor may act as the SSA, as determined on a case-by-case basis, by the Director, Superfund/RCRA Regional Procurement Operations Division (SRRPOD).

(c) Acquisitions having a potential value of $10,000,000 or less: The contracting officer.

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1515.305 Proposal evaluation.

1515.305–70 Scoring plans.

When trade-offs are performed (in accordance with FAR 15.101–1), the evaluation of technical and past performance shall be accomplished using the following scoring plan or one specifically developed for the solicitation, e.g., other numeric, adjectival, color rating systems, etc.

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