

plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system that have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred that reasonably could have been avoided.

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**Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-15; Small Entity Compliance Guide**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Small Entity Compliance Guide.

**SUMMARY:** This document is issued under the joint authority of the

Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services and the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. This Small Entity Compliance Guide has been prepared in accordance with Section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996. It consists of a summary of rules appearing in Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005-15 which amend the FAR. An asterisk (\*) next to a rule indicates that a regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain further information regarding these rules by referring to FAC 2005-15 which precedes this document. These documents are also available via the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

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LIST OF RULES IN FAC 2005-15

Item	Subject	FAR case	Analyst
*I .....	Payments Under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts .....	2004-015	Olson.
*II .....	Additional Commercial Contract Types .....	2003-027	Olson.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Summaries for each FAR rule follow. For the actual revisions and/or amendments to these FAR cases, refer to the specific item number and subject set forth in the documents following these item summaries.

FAC 2005-15 amends the FAR as specified below:

**Item I—Payments Under Time-and-Materials and Labor-Hour Contracts (FAR Case 2004-015)**

This final rule revises and clarifies policies related to award and administration of noncommercial item

Time-and-Materials (T&M) and Labor-Hour (LH) contracts and the policies regarding payments made under those contracts. The objectives of the changes are to ensure fair and reasonable prices under T&M and LH contracts and to eliminate confusion related to payment amounts for subcontractor provided labor.

**Item II—Additional Commercial Contract Types (FAR Case 2003-027)**

This final rule implements section 1432 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004 (Pub. L. 108-136). Title XIV of the Act,

referred to as the Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003 (SARA), amended section 8002(d) of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 (FASA) (Pub. L. 103-355, 41 U.S.C. 264) to expressly authorize the use of Time-and-Materials (T&M) and Labor-Hour (LH) contracts for commercial services under specified conditions.

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