DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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[Docket FAR 2011–0076, Sequence 1]

Federal Acquisition Regulation;
Federal Acquisition Circular 2005–49;
Introduction

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

ACTION: Summary presentation of rules.

SUMMARY: This document summarizes the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) rules agreed to by DoD, GSA, and NASA in this Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005–49. A companion document, the Small Entity Compliance Guide (SECG), follows this FAC. The FAC, including the SECG, is available via the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov.

DATES: For effective dates see separate documents, which follow.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A summary for the FAR rule follows. For the actual revisions and/or amendments made by this FAR case, refer to FAR Case 2010–016.

FAC 2005–49 amends the FAR as specified below:

Public Access to the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAR Case 2010–016) (Interim)

This interim rule amends the FAR to implement section 3010 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010 (Pub. L. 111–212), enacted July 29, 2010. Section 3010 requires that the Administrator of the General Services post all information contained in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS), excluding past performance reviews, on a publicly available Web site.

This interim rule notifies contractors that FAPIIS data, excluding past performance reviews, will be available to the public after a certain date, and creates a new FAR clause to support the posting of information in FAPIIS. Contracting officers are encouraged to the extent feasible to amend existing solicitations in accordance with FAR 1.108(d), in order to include the clause at FAR 52.209–9 in contracts to be awarded on or after April 15, 2011. The modification shall replace the clause 52.209–8 with a new clause 52.209–9, Updates of Information Regarding Responsibility Matters, if a six-month update will be due on or after April 15, 2011. The modification shall replace the clause 52.209–8 with a new clause 52.209–9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters, Alternate I (JAN 2011). If the contracting officer is unable to negotiate this modification prior to April 15, 2011, the contracting officer shall obtain approval at least one level above the contracting officer to negotiate an alternate resolution.

DATES: Effective Date: January 24, 2011.
Comment Date: Interested parties should submit written comments to the Regulatory Secretariat on or before March 25, 2011 to be considered in the formulation of a final rule.
Applicability Date: This rule applies to solicitations issued on or after January 24, 2011. Contracting officers are encouraged, to the extent feasible, to amend existing solicitations in accordance with FAR 1.108(d), in order to include the clause at FAR 52.209–9 in contracts to be awarded on or after January 24, 2011. Prior to April 15, 2011, contracting officers shall bilaterally modify existing contracts, including indefinite-delivery indefinite-quantity contracts, that contain the clause 52.209–8, Updates of Information Regarding Responsibility Matters, if a six-month update will be due on or after April 15, 2011. The modification shall replace the clause 52.209–8 with a new clause 52.209–9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters, Alternate I (JAN 2011). If the contracting officer is unable to negotiate this modification prior to April 15, 2011, the contracting officer shall obtain approval at least one level above the contracting officer to negotiate an alternate resolution.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments identified by FAC 2005–49, FAR Case 2010–016, by any of the following methods:
• Regulations.gov: http://www.regulations.gov. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by inputting “FAR Case 2010–016” under the heading “Enter Keyword or ID” and selecting “Search.” Select the link “Submit a Comment” that corresponds to the heading FAC 2005–49; FAR Case 2010–016; Docket FAR 2011–0076, Sequence 1. For effective dates see separate documents, which follow.

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48 CFR Parts 1, 9, 12, and 52

[FAC 2005–49; FAR Case 2010–016; Docket 2010–0016, Sequence 1]

RIN 9000–AL94

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Public Access to the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System

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

ACTION: Interim rule.

SUMMARY: DoD, GSA, and NASA are issuing an interim rule amending the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to implement section 3010 of Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010. Section 3010 requires that the information in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS), excluding past performance reviews, shall be made publicly available. This interim rule notifies contractors of this new statutory requirement for public access to FAPIIS and creates a new FAR clause to support the posting of information in FAPIIS consistent with section 3010. All information posted in FAPIIS on or after April 15, 2011, except for past performance reviews, will be publicly available.

Dated: January 19, 2011.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The analyst whose name appears in the table below in relation to each FAR case. Please cite FAC 2005–49 and the specific FAR case number. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat at (202) 501–4755.