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[Docket No. FAR 2019–0002, Sequence No. 2]
Federal Acquisition Regulation;
Federal Acquisition Circular 2019–03;
Introduction
AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Summary presentation of a final rule.

SUMMARY: This document summarizes the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) rule agreed to by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) in this Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2019–03. 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.

RULE LISTED IN FAC 2019–03

Subject | FAR case | Analyst
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Exception from Certified Cost or Pricing Data Requirements—Adequate Price Competition | 2017–006 | Jackson.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A summary for the FAR rule follows. For the actual revisions and/or amendments made by this FAR Case, refer to the specific subject set forth in the document following this item summary. FAC 2019–03 amends the FAR as follows:

Exception From Certified Cost or Pricing Data Requirements—Adequate Price Competition (FAR Case 2017–006)

This final rule amends the FAR to provide guidance to DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard, consistent with section 822 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 that addresses the exception from certified cost or pricing data requirements when price is based on adequate price competition. Section 822 excludes from the standard for adequate price competition the situation in which there was an expectation of competition, but only one offer is received. The standard of adequate price competition that is based on a reasonable expectation of competition is now applicable only to agencies other than DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard.

This final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

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Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2019–03 is issued under the authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services, and the Administrator of National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Unless otherwise specified, all Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and other directive material contained in FAC 2019–03 is effective June 12, 2019 except for FAR Case 2017–006, which is effective July 12, 2019.

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