

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

12. As required by the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA), as amended, an Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (IRFA) was incorporated into the *Call Blocking Fourth Report and Order*. The Commission sought written public comment on the proposals in the NPRM, including comment on the IRFA. This Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (FRFA) conforms to the RFA.

13. *Need for, and Objectives of, the Order*. The Order on Reconsideration reconsiders and clarifies certain aspects of the transparency and redress requirements adopted in the *Call Blocking Fourth Report and Order* to ensure that voice service providers continue to block unwanted and illegal calls, while also protecting the interests of legitimate callers and consumers. The rules adopted in the Order on Reconsideration help clarify certain aspects of our rules while promoting greater flexibility for voice service providers in meeting the obligations set forth in the *Call Blocking Fourth Report and Order*.

14. *Summary of Significant Issues Raised by Public Comments in Response to the IRFA*. The Commission responded to all significant issues raised in response to the IRFA in the *Call Blocking Fourth Report and Order*.

15. *Response to Comments by the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration*. Pursuant to the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010, which amended the RFA, the Commission is required to respond to any comments filed by the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration (SBA), and to provide a detailed statement of any change made to the proposed rules as a result of those comments. The Chief Counsel did not file any comments in response to the proposed rules in this proceeding.

16. *Description of Projected Reporting, Recordkeeping, and Other Compliance Requirements*. This Order on Reconsideration does not adopt any new reporting, recordkeeping, or other compliance requirements for small entities.

17. *Steps Taken to Minimize Significant Economic Impact on Small Entities, and Significant Alternatives Considered*. The RFA requires an agency to describe any significant alternatives that it has considered in reaching its approach, which may include the following four alternatives (among others): (1) The establishment of differing compliance or reporting requirements or timetables that take into

account the resources available to small entities; (2) the clarification, consolidation, or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements under the rule for small entities; (3) the use of performance, rather than design, standards; and (4) an exemption from coverage of the rule, or any part thereof, for small entities. The Order on Reconsideration relieves a burden on small voice service providers by allowing such providers more flexibility in meeting the immediate notification requirements adopted in the *Call Blocking Fourth Report and Order*.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 64

Communications common carriers, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Telecommunications, Telephone.

Federal Communications Commission.

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Federal Register Liaison Officer.

Final Rules

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission amends 47 part 64 as follows:

PART 64—MISCELLANEOUS RULES RELATING TO COMMON CARRIERS

- 1. The authority citation for part 64 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 151, 152, 154, 201, 202, 217, 218, 220, 222, 225, 226, 227, 227b, 228, 251(a), 251(e), 254(k), 262, 276, 403(b)(2)(B), (c), 616, 620, 1401–1473, unless otherwise noted; Pub. L. 115–141, Div. P, sec. 503, 132 Stat. 348, 1091.

- 2. Effective January 31, 2022, amend § 64.1200 by revising paragraphs (k)(9) introductory text and (k)(9)(i) to read as follows:

§ 64.1200 Delivery restrictions.

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(k) * * *

(9) Any terminating provider that blocks calls based on any analytics program, either itself or through a third-party blocking service, must immediately return, and all voice service providers in the call path must transmit, an appropriate response code to the origination point of the call. For purposes of this rule, an appropriate response code is:

(i) In the case of a call terminating on an IP network, the use of Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) code 603, 607, or 608;

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- 3. Delayed indefinitely, further amend § 64.1200 by revising paragraph (k)(10) to read as follows:

§ 64.1200 Delivery restrictions.

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(k) * * *

(10) Any terminating provider that blocks calls pursuant to an opt-out or opt-in analytics program, either itself or through a third-party blocking service, must provide, at the request of the subscriber to a number, at no additional charge and within 3 business days of such a request, a list of calls to that number, including the date and time of the call and the calling number, that the terminating provider or its designee blocked pursuant to such analytics program within the 28 days prior to the request.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Parts 225 and 252

[Docket DARS–2021–0026]

RIN 0750–AL50

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Trade Agreements Thresholds (DFARS Case 2022–D003)

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD is issuing a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to incorporate revised thresholds for application of the World Trade Organization Government Procurement Agreement and the Free Trade Agreements, as determined by the United States Trade Representative.

DATES: Effective January 1, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Kimberly Bass, 571–372–6174.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

This rule adjusts thresholds for application of the World Trade Organization (WTO) Government Procurement Agreement (GPA) and Free Trade Agreements (FTA) as determined by the United States Trade Representative (USTR). The trade agreements thresholds are adjusted every two years according to predetermined formulae set forth in the agreements. The USTR has specified the

following new thresholds in the **Federal Register** (86 FR 67579, November 26, 2021), which are being implemented in this rule:

Trade agreement	Supply contract (equal to or exceeding)	Construction contract (equal to or exceeding)
WTO GPA	\$183,000	\$7,032,000
FTA:		
Australia	92,319	7,032,000
Bahrain	183,000	12,001,460
CAFTA–DR (Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua)	92,319	7,032,000
Chile	92,319	7,032,000
Colombia	92,319	7,032,000
Korea	100,000	7,032,000
Morocco	183,000	7,032,000
Panama	183,000	7,032,000
Peru	183,000	7,032,000
Singapore	92,319	7,032,000

Updates for the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), which superseded the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), are not included in this revision to the trade agreements thresholds in the DFARS. On January 29, 2020, the President signed into law the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement Implementation Act, through which Congress approved the USMCA. On July 1, 2020, the USMCA entered into effect. Although Canada is still a designated country under the WTO GPA, Canada is no longer a Free Trade Agreement country, because chapter 13 of the USMCA (Government procurement) applies only to the United States and Mexico. While updates to the DFARS to implement the revisions resulting from the USMCA are not implemented in this final rule, implementation is being accomplished via separate rulemaking under DFARS Case 2020–D032. Changes to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to implement the USMCA are being accomplished under FAR Case 2020–014.

II. Publication of This Final Rule for Public Comment is not Required by Statute

The statute that applies to the publication of the FAR is 41 U.S.C. 1707. Subsection (a)(1) of the statute requires that a procurement policy, regulation, procedure, or form (including an amendment or modification thereof) must be published for public comment if it relates to the expenditure of appropriated funds and has either a significant effect beyond the internal operating procedures of the agency issuing the policy, regulation, procedure, or form, or has a significant cost or administrative impact on contractors or offerors. This final rule is

not required to be published for public comment, because it only adjusts the thresholds according to predetermined formulae to account for changes in economic conditions, thus maintaining the status quo, without significant effect beyond the internal operating procedures of the Government.

III. Applicability to Contracts at or Below the Simplified Acquisition Threshold and for Commercial Items, Including Commercially Available Off-the-Shelf Items

This rule amends the DFARS to revise thresholds for application of the WTO GPA and the FTA. The revisions do not add any new burdens or impact applicability of clauses and provisions at or below the simplified acquisition threshold or to commercial items.

IV. Executive Orders 12866 and 13563

Executive Orders (E.O.s) 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). E.O. 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under section 6(b) of E.O. 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993.

V. Congressional Review Act

As required by the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801–808) before an interim or final rule takes effect, DoD will submit a copy of the final rule with the form, Submission of Federal Rules

under the Congressional Review Act, to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States. A major rule under the Congressional Review Act cannot take effect until 60 days after it is published in the **Federal Register**. The Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs has determined that this rule is not a major rule as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804.

VI. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act does not apply to this rule, because this final rule does not constitute a significant DFARS revision within the meaning of FAR 1.501–1, and 41 U.S.C. 1707 does not require publication for public comment.

VII. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C chapter 35) does apply, because the final rule affects the prescriptions for use of the certification and information collection requirements in the provision at DFARS 252.225–7035, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements—Balance of Payments Program Certificate, and the certification and information collection requirements in the provision at DFARS 252.225–7018, Photovoltaic Devices—Certificate. The changes to these DFARS provisions do not impose additional information collection requirements to the paperwork burden previously approved under OMB Control Number 0704–0229, entitled “DFARS Part 225, Foreign Acquisition and related clauses,” because the threshold changes are in line with inflation and maintain the status quo.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 225 and 252

Government procurement.

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Editor/Publisher, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

Therefore, 48 CFR parts 225 and 252 are amended as follows:

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR parts 225 and 252 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 1303 and 48 CFR chapter 1.

PART 225—FOREIGN ACQUISITION**225.1101 [Amended]**

■ 2. Amend section 225.1101 by—

- a. In paragraph (6) introductory text, removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place;
- b. In paragraph (10)(i) introductory text, removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place;
- c. In paragraph (10)(i)(A), removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place;
- d. In paragraph (10)(i)(B), removing “\$83,099” and adding “92,319” in its place;
- e. In paragraph (10)(i)(C), removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place; and
- f. In paragraphs (10)(i)(D) through (F), removing “\$83,099” and adding “92,319” in its place.

225.7017–3 [Amended]

- 3. Amend section 225.7017–3 by—
- a. In paragraph (b), removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place; and
- b. In paragraph (c)(2), by removing “\$180,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place.

225.7503 [Amended]

- 4. Amend section 225.7503 by—
- a. In paragraphs (a) introductory text and (b) introductory text, removing “\$7,008,000” and adding “\$7,032,000” in its place;
- b. In paragraph (b)(1), removing “\$10,802,884” and adding “\$12,001,460” in its place;
- c. In paragraph (b)(2), removing “\$7,008,000” and adding “\$7,032,000” in its place, and removing “\$10,802,884” and adding “\$12,001,460” in its place;
- d. In paragraph (b)(3), removing “\$10,802,884” and adding “\$12,001,460” in its place; and
- e. In paragraph (b)(4), removing “\$7,008,000” and adding “\$7,032,000” in its place, and removing “\$10,802,884” and adding “\$12,001,460” in its place.

PART 252—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES**252.225–7017 [Amended]**

- 5. Amend section 252.225–7017 by—
- a. Removing clause date “(JAN 2020)” and adding “(JAN 2022)” in its place;
- b. In paragraphs (c)(2) and (3), removing “\$83,099” and adding “92,319” in its place; and
- c. In paragraphs (c)(4) and (5), removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place.

252.225–7018 [Amended]

- 6. Amend section 252.225–7018 by—
- a. Removing clause date “(JAN 2020)” and adding “(JAN 2022)” in its place;
- b. In paragraphs (b)(1) and (2), removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in its place;
- c. In paragraphs (d)(3) introductory text and (d)(4) introductory text, removing “\$83,099” and adding “92,319” in its place; and
- d. In paragraphs (d)(5) introductory text and (d)(6) introductory text, removing “\$182,000” and adding “\$183,000” in each place.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD**49 CFR Part 801**

[Docket No.: NTSB–2021–0006]

Internal Personnel Rules and Practices of the NTSB; Corrections

AGENCY: National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB).

ACTION: Correcting amendments.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the wording reflected in various sections in part 801 as a result of the amendatory language in the interim final rule (IFR) published in the **Federal Register** (FR) on October 4, 2021. The IFR amended part 801, in pertinent part, by revising all references to “public reading room” to read “electronic reading room”. Consequently, that revision resulted in needless repetition of “electronic reading room” in several part 801 regulations. This correction amends the affected regulations to reflect the agency’s original intent.

DATES: Effective on December 30, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathleen Silbaugh, General Counsel, (202) 314–6080, rulemaking@ntsb.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This document corrects the wording of

certain regulations in part 801 affected by the amendatory language reflected in the IFR published in the FR on October 4, 2021. 86 FR 54641 (Oct. 4, 2021). Specifically, the IFR amended part 801, in part, by revising all references to “public reading room” to read “electronic reading room”. As seen below, that amendatory instruction resulted in the needless repetition of the word “electronic reading room” in 49 CFR 801.10(b)(2), 801.10(c), 801.30, 801.31, 801.32(b), 801.41.

For example, § 801.10(b)(2) originally read that the NTSB’s Chief, Records Management Division “[m]aintains a *public reference room* and an electronic reading room in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(2). The NTSB’s *public reference room* is located at 490 L’Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC. The NTSB’s electronic reading room is located on the NTSB’s FOIA website, found at <http://www.nts.gov/>.” (Emphasis added.)

After the IFR, however, that regulation currently provides that the NTSB’s Chief, Records Management Division “[m]aintains an *electronic reading room* and an electronic reading room in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(2). The NTSB’s *electronic reading room* is located at 490 L’Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC. The NTSB’s electronic reading room is located on the NTSB’s FOIA website, found at <http://www.nts.gov/>.” (Emphasis added.)

To eliminate the redundancy, this document will revise that section to read: “Maintains an electronic reading room in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(2). The NTSB’s electronic reading room is accessible on the NTSB’s FOIA website at <https://www.nts.gov/>.”

This document will further revise the remaining affected regulations to reflect the agency’s original intent for part 801.

List of Subjects in 49 CFR Part 801

Archives and records, Freedom of information.

Accordingly, 49 CFR part 801 is corrected by making the following correcting amendments:

PART 801—PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION

■ 1. The authority citation for part 801 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 1113(f); 5 U.S.C. 552; 18 U.S.C. 641, 2071; 31 U.S.C. 3717, 9701; 44 U.S.C. Chapters 21, 29, 31, and 33.

■ 2. Amend § 801.10 by revising paragraphs (b)(2) and (c) introductory text to read as follows: