

soliciting comments from interested local, state, and federal elected officials and agencies, Tribes, as well as interested members of the public and others. Comments are requested on potential alternatives and impacts, and identification of any relevant information, studies, or analyses of any kind concerning impacts affecting the quality of the human environment. Concurrent with the publication of this NOI, public scoping notices will be announced locally. In accordance with DAF guidance, in-person public scoping meetings will not be held. Public scoping is being accomplished remotely, in accordance with the 2020 version of 40 Code of Federal Regulations part 1506.6, via the project website at <https://columbus.t-7anepadocuments.com/>. The website provides posters, a presentation, an informational brochure, other meeting materials, and the capability for the public to provide public scoping comments. Scoping materials are also available in print at the Columbus-Lowndes Public Library (314 7th Street North, Columbus, Mississippi).

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket No. DARS-2022-0008]

#### Acquisition of Items for Which Federal Prison Industries Has a Significant Market Share

**AGENCY:** DARS, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** DoD is publishing the updated annual list of product categories for which the Federal Prison Industries' share of the DoD market is greater than five percent.

**DATES:** April 15, 2022.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mario Thompson, 808-590-0652.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 19, 2009, a final rule was published in the **Federal Register** at 74 FR 59914, which amended the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) subpart 208.6 to implement section 827 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Pub. L. 110-181). Section 827 changed DoD competition requirements for purchases from Federal

Prison Industries, Inc. (FPI) by requiring DoD to publish an annual list of product categories for which FPI's share of the DoD market was greater than five percent, based on the most recent fiscal year data available. Product categories on the current list, and the products within each identified product category, must be procured using competitive or fair opportunity procedures in accordance with DFARS 208.602-70.

The Principal Director, Defense Pricing and Contracting (DPC), issued a memorandum dated March 16, 2022, that provided the current list of product categories for which FPI's share of the DoD market is greater than five percent based on fiscal year 2021 data from the Federal Procurement Data System. The product categories to be competed effective April 15, 2022, are the following:

- 7125 (Cabinets, Lockers, Bins, and Shelving)
- 8105 (Bags and Sacks)
- 8405 (Outerwear, Men's)
- 8415 (Clothing, Special Purpose)
- 8420 (Underwear and Nightwear, Men's)

The DPC memorandum with the current list of product categories for which FPI has a significant market share is posted at <https://www.acq.osd.mil/asda/dpc/cp/policy/other-policy-areas.html#fpi>.

The statute, as implemented, also requires DoD to—

(1) Include FPI in the solicitation process for these items. A timely offer from FPI must be considered and award procedures must be followed in accordance with existing policy at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 8.602(a)(4)(ii) through (v);

(2) Continue to conduct acquisitions, in accordance with FAR subpart 8.6, for items from product categories for which FPI does not have a significant market share. FAR 8.602 requires agencies to conduct market research and make a written comparability determination, at the discretion of the contracting officer. Competitive (or fair opportunity) procedures are appropriate if the FPI product is not comparable in terms of price, quality, or time of delivery; and

(3) Modify the published list if DoD subsequently determines that new data requires adding or omitting a product category from the list.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Publication of Housing Price Inflation Adjustment

**AGENCY:** The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)), Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice of housing price inflation adjustment.

**SUMMARY:** The DoD is announcing the 2021 rent threshold under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. Applying the inflation adjustment for 2021, the maximum monthly rental amount as of January 1, 2022, will be \$4,214.28.

**DATES:** These housing price inflation adjustments are effective January 1, 2022.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lt Col Patrick Schwomeyer, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, (703) 692-8170.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, as codified at 50 U.S.C. App. 3951, prohibits a landlord from evicting a Service member (or the Service member's family) from a residence during a period of military service, except by court order. The law as originally passed by Congress applied to dwellings with monthly rents of \$2,400 or less. The law requires the DoD to adjust this amount annually to reflect inflation and to publish the new amount in the **Federal Register**. Applying the inflation adjustment for 2021, the maximum monthly rental amount for 50 U.S.C. App. 3951(a)(1)(A)(ii) as of January 1, 2022, will be \$4,214.28.

Dated: March 22, 2022.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### Applications for New Awards; Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Program, Part A

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Education (Department) is issuing a notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal