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DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR ACQUISITION AND MATERIEL MANAGEMENT
WASHINGTON DC 20420

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OFFICE OF ACQUISITION AND MATERIEL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION LETTER

TO: Under Secretaries for Health, Benefits, and Memorial Affairs; Assistant Secretary for Management; Chief Facilities Management Officer, Office of Facilities Management; Veterans Integrated Service Network Directors; Directors, VA Medical Center Activities, Domiciliaries, Outpatient Clinics, Medical and Regional Office Centers, and Regional Offices; Directors, Denver Distribution Center, Austin Automation Center, Records Management Center, VBA Benefits Delivery Centers, and VA Health Administration Center; and the Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, VA National Acquisition Center

ATTN: Heads of the Contracting Activity and VA Contracting Officers

SUBJ: Designation of the Task-Order and Delivery-Order Contract Ombudsman

1. Section 253j(e) of title 41, U.S. Code, and Federal Acquisition Regulation 16.505(b)(5) require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to designate a task and delivery-order contract ombudsman. The ombudsman must review complaints from contractors and ensure they are afforded a fair opportunity to be considered for task or delivery orders when required under multiple award contracts.
2. The Secretary, by memorandum dated January 26, 2005 (copy attached), has designated the Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisitions (049A) as the task-order contract and delivery-order contract ombudsman.
3. Please direct any questions regarding this information letter to Patricia Ellis, Acquisition Policy Division (049A5A), at (202) 273-6058.


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Director
Acquisition Resources Service

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January 26, 2005

Attachment

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSOCIATE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY
FOR ACQUISITIONS

SUBJECT: Designation of the Task-Order Contract and Delivery-Order Contract
Ombudsman

1. DESIGNATION. This memorandum designates the Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisitions (049A) as the task-order contract and delivery-order contract ombudsman.
2. AUTHORITY. Title 41, United States Code, Section 253j (e), and Federal Acquisition Regulation 16.505(b)(5).
3. RESTRICTIONS. None.
4. REDESIGNATION. This authority may not be redesignated.
5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This is effective upon signature and will expire 2 years after the date designated.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anthony J. Principi".

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