

the binary number is never repeated on any and all contracts) and conforms to the requirements in paragraph (d) of this clause;

(2) Use passive tags that are readable; and

(3) Ensure that the passive tag is affixed at the appropriate location on the specific level of packaging, in accordance with MIL-STD-129 (Section 4.9.2) tag placement specifications.

(d) *Data syntax and standards.* The Contractor shall encode an approved RFID tag using the instructions provided in the EPC™ Tag Data Standards in effect at the time of contract award. The EPC™ Tag Data Standards are available at <http://www.epcglobalinc.org/standards/>.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Part 213

RIN 0750-AF42

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Aviation Into-Plane Reimbursement Card (DFARS Case 2006-D017)

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to update text pertaining to DoD fuel card programs. The rule addresses use of the Aviation Into-plane Reimbursement card for purchases of aviation fuel and oil.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 12, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gary Delaney, Defense Acquisition Regulations System, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DARS), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telephone (703) 602-8384; facsimile (703) 602-0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2006-D017.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

DoD uses the Aviation Into-plane Reimbursement (AIR) card for purchases of aviation fuel and oil at commercial airport facilities. The AIR card is a centrally-billed, Government commercial purchase card that is an

alternative to use of the Standard Form 44, Purchase Order-Invoice-Voucher. This final rule amends DFARS 213.306 to address use of the AIR card. In addition, the rule amends DFARS 213.301 to clarify that DoD has multiple fuel card programs.

DoD published a proposed rule at 71 FR 34867 on June 16, 2006. DoD received no comments on the proposed rule and has adopted the proposed rule as a final rule without change.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the Aviation Into-plane Reimbursement card is an alternative to use of the Standard Form 44, Purchase Order-Invoice-Voucher, designed primarily for on-the-spot, over-the-counter purchases while away from the purchasing office or at isolated activities.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply, because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 213

Government procurement.

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Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

■ Therefore, 48 CFR Part 213 is amended as follows:

PART 213—SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION PROCEDURES

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 213 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

213.301 [Amended]

■ 2. Section 213.301 is amended in paragraph (4), in the second sentence, by removing “program” and adding in its place “programs”.

■ 3. Section 213.306 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(1)(A) to read as follows:

213.306 SF 44, Purchase Order-Invoice-Voucher.

(a)(1) * * *

(A) Aviation fuel and oil. The Aviation Into-plane Reimbursement (AIR) card may be used instead of an SF 44 for aviation fuel and oil (see <http://www.desc.dla.mil/>);

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Part 225

RIN 0750-AF32

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Berry Amendment Exceptions—Acquisition of Perishable Food and Fish, Shellfish, or Seafood (DFARS Case 2006-D005)

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has adopted as final, without change, an interim rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to implement Section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 and Section 8118 of the Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005. These statutes relate to the acquisition of perishable foods for DoD activities located outside the United States, and the acquisition of domestic fish, shellfish, and seafood.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 12, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, Defense Acquisition Regulations System, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DARS), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telephone (703) 602-0328; facsimile (703) 602-0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2006-D005.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

DoD published an interim rule at 71 FR 34832 on June 16, 2006, to implement Section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Pub. L. 109-163) and Section 8118 of the Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (Pub. L. 108-287). Section 831 of Public Law 109-163 amended 10 U.S.C. 2533a(d)(3) to expand the exception that permits the acquisition of non-domestic perishable foods by activities located outside the United States, to also permit the acquisition of such foods by activities

that are making purchases on behalf of activities located outside the United States. Section 8118 of Public Law 108–287 established a permanent requirement for the acquisition of domestic fish, shellfish, and seafood, including fish, shellfish, and seafood contained in foods manufactured or processed in the United States. This requirement previously had been included in Defense Appropriations Acts on an annual basis.

DoD received no comments on the interim rule. Therefore, DoD has adopted the interim rule as a final rule without change.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule applies only to: (1) The acquisition of perishable foods for DoD activities located outside the United States, and (2) continuation of the existing requirement for the acquisition of domestic fish, shellfish, and seafood.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply, because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 225

Government procurement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

Interim Rule Adopted as Final Without Change

■ Accordingly, the interim rule amending 48 CFR Part 225, which was published at 71 FR 34832 on June 16, 2006, is adopted as a final rule without change.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Part 233

RIN 0750–AE01

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Protests, Disputes, and Appeals (DFARS Case 2003–D010)

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to update text addressing procedures for processing of contractor claims submitted under DoD contracts. The rule removes obsolete text and relocates text to the DFARS companion resource, Procedures, Guidance, and Information.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 12, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Felisha Hitt, Defense Acquisition Regulations System, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DARS), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telephone (703) 602–0310; facsimile (703) 602–0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2003–D010.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This final rule—

- Removes text at DFARS 233.204 regarding research of a contractor's history of filing claims during a contracting officer's review of a current claim. Text on this subject has been relocated to the DFARS companion resource, Procedures, Guidance, and Information (PGI) at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/pgi>; and
- Revises DFARS 233.210 to remove an obsolete cross-reference and to add a reference to the guidance added to PGI regarding review of a contractor's claim.

DoD published a proposed rule at 71 FR 34867 on June 16, 2006. The proposed rule had provided for total elimination of the text at DFARS 233.204 and 233.210. One source submitted comments on the proposed rule, recommending that, instead of total elimination, the text at DFARS 233.204 should be relocated to PGI. DoD has adopted this recommendation and has included the corresponding changes in the final rule.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under

Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule makes no significant change to DoD policy regarding consideration of claims submitted by contractors.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply, because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 233

Government procurement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

■ Therefore, 48 CFR Part 233 is amended as follows:

PART 233—PROTESTS, DISPUTES, AND APPEALS

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 233 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

233.204 [Removed]

■ 2. Section 233.204 is removed.

■ 3. Section 233.210 is revised to read as follows:

233.210 Contracting officer's authority.

See PGI 233.210 for guidance on reviewing a contractor's claim.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Part 237

RIN 0750–AF37

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Security-Guard Services Contracts (DFARS Case 2006–D011)

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

ACTION: Final rule.