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Subject: Dual Exception Authority - EERAs and Other Contracts with AD Pay Plan Hires

To: Regional Foresters, Station Directors, Area Director, IITF Director and Deputy Chiefs

By Memorandum dated March 22, 2007, I authorized an interim class exception to the policy stated in FAR subpart 3.601 with regard to AD hires and EERAs. This exception provided for AD hires to have an Emergency Equipment Rental Agreement (EERA) when all other avenues for securing the equipment and personnel needed have been exhausted.

In a subsequent memorandum dated May 1, 2007, I required all units to report their usage of this exception on the spreadsheet attached to the memo by December 3, 2007.

This exception expired on April 30, 2008. Based on the response received, it appears the need for the exception was not as great as anticipated. Therefore, the interim class exception will not be renewed.

Future exceptions will be only be granted on a case-by-case basis as stated in FAR subpart 3.602 when a most compelling reason to do so and all other methods to secure the needed equipment and personnel have been documented. Requests for such exceptions should be sent to me as the need arises.

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