Audit of the Adequacy of Disclosure Statement, Revision Number 8

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MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID A. GRANT

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SUBJECT: Audit of the Adequacy of Disclosure Statement, Revision

Number 8 (Audit #20041C0209)

The Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) examined the contractor's revised disclosure statement, Revision Number 8, dated October 8, 2003. The purpose of the examination was to determine whether the contractor's revised disclosure statement adequately described the cost accounting practices that the contractor proposes to use in performing Government contracts, and whether the revised practices comply with applicable Cost Accounting Standards and Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 31.

The DCAA opined that the contractor's revised disclosure statement adequately describes the contractor's current cost accounting practices. According to the DCAA, the revision is effective as of March 29, 2003. However, the DCAA expresses no opinion on the contractor's compliance with the revised practices.

The DCAA stated that the contractor is responsible for submitting cost impact proposals and for engaging in negotiations of adjustments resulting from changes to its disclosed accounting practices. The DCAA also stated that it is not practical to estimate the magnitude of the total cost impact for the changes in the revised disclosure statement prior to obtaining this information from the contractor. Additionally, the DCAA indicated that the contracting parties have not agreed to unilateral changes. Therefore, terms and conditions are subject to negotiation.

In the Contractor Organization and Systems section of their report, the DCAA continues to express opinions that the contractor's budget and planning, estimating, indirect and other direct costs, and billing systems are inadequate, and that the DCAA will perform follow-up audits of these systems upon completion of corrective actions taken by the contractor.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 622-8500 or John R. Wright, Director at (202) 927-7077.

Attachment

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