45.610-4 Contractor inventory in foreign countries.

Contractor inventory located in foreign countries shall be sold or disposed of in accordance with agency procedures (see 40 U.S.C. 511-514).

45.611 Destruction or abandonment.

- (a) Surplus property may be destroyed or abandoned only after every effort has been made to dispose of it by other authorized methods. Before authorizing destruction or abandonment, the plant clearance officer shall determine in writing that—
- (1) The property has no commercial value and no value to the Government;
- (2) The estimated cost of care and handling is greater than the probable sale price; or
- (3) Because of its nature, the property constitutes a danger to public health, safety, or welfare.
- (b) Unless permitted by the contract, no contractor inventory shall be abandoned on the contractor's premises without the contractor's written consent.
- (c) Surplus property for which a determination has been made under subparagraph (a)(1) or (2) above may, however, be donated to public bodies in lieu of abandonment or destruction. All costs incident to donation shall be borne by the donee.

45.612 Removal and storage.

45.612-1 General.

Contractor inventory shall be removed from the contractor's premises as soon as possible to preclude storage expenses.

45.612-2 Special storage at the contractor's risk.

When the contractor finds it necessary to remove property from the premises before expiration of the plant clearance period, the contractor may, with the concurrence of the plant clearance officer, store property in a warehouse or other storage location on or off the contractor's premises. Storage shall in no way modify the contractor's responsibility for the property. The expense of storage, including any cost incident to the transportation to and from the storage area, shall nor-

mally be borne by the contractor and shall not be charged directly or indirectly to Government contracts unless the contracting officer determines that the storage is for the convenience of the Government.

45.612-3 Special storage at the Government's expense.

- (a) Contractor inventory may be stored at the Government's expense only when the contracting officer determines that it should be retained in storage for anticipated use.
- (b) When the plant clearance officer recommends that the contracting office execute a storage agreement with the contractor, the request shall be accompanied with adequate data to justify the agreement (e.g., property to be stored, storage period, and cost to the Government).
- (c) If the contractor will not agree to storage on its premises, the plant clearance officer shall submit adequate information to permit a decision by the contracting office for storage on a Government or commercial facility (e.g., storage space required; necessary packing, crating, and shipping services; and information as to available Government or commercial storage facilities in the local area).

45.613 Property disposal determina-

Written determinations supporting abandonment, destruction, or other appropriate disposition shall be made by the plant clearance officer and reviewed by an appropriate reviewing authority within the agency.

45.614 Subcontractor inventory.

- (a) The disposal policies and procedures in this subpart are applicable to contractor inventory in the possession of subcontractors, except inventory under terminated subcontracts for which the termination contracting officer has authorized the prime contractor to conclude settlements (see 49.108-4).
- (b) Subcontractors in all tiers shall prepare inventory schedules in accordance with the requirements of this subpart. Forms prescribed for use by prime