

## Department of Veterans Affairs

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and will be released to persons outside VA only upon the authority of the immediate supervisor of the contracting officer.

(c) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this section, the contracting officer may furnish information as to performance under a contract to those having a legitimate interest, such as banks, other financial companies and Government departments and agencies.

(d) When litigation is involved, all information will be furnished through the General Counsel (025).

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#### Subpart 815.5—Unsolicited Proposals

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##### 815.504 Advance guidance.

(a) Any inquiries from a potential offeror of an unsolicited proposal shall be referred to the appropriate VA contact point designated in 815.506(a). The contact point will determine the nature of the potential proposal and determine what technical/professional disciplines need be consulted to determine the VA need for such a proposal and the likelihood that a formal proposal would be

favorably reviewed. In consultation with such technical/professional offices, the VA contact point will inform the potential proposer of any additional information required to provide advance guidance as well as the information specified in FAR 15.504.

(b) The FAR contact point will maintain a record of advance guidance provided and the disposition/recommendation regarding the potential offer.

##### 815.506 Department procedures.

(a) The Chief, Acquisition and Materiel Management Service, servicing the field facility and the Director, VA Marketing Center, Hines, Illinois are designated as the VA contact points for unsolicited proposals submitted at the facility level. The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management is designated as the VA contact point for all unsolicited proposals received at VA Central Office.

(b) Each unsolicited proposal received by the Department of Veterans Affairs will be submitted to the appropriate contact point.

(c) The VA contact point will review the unsolicited proposal and ensure that it is complete as prescribed in FAR 15.505. If required information is not submitted, the VA contact point will:

(1) Determine if advance guidance as specified in FAR 15.504 is necessary (2) request that the offeror provide the necessary information if it is determined that the formal evaluation prescribed in FAR 15.506-2 is appropriate; and (3) establish an estimated due date for completion of the review process.

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##### 815.506-1 Receipt and initial review.

(a) When VA contact point determines that a comprehensive evaluation is to be undertaken (i.e., the proposal complies with the requirements in FAR 15.506-1(a) and is related to the mission of VA), the offeror will be contacted to ensure that all data that should be restricted in accordance with FAR 15.509 has been identified.

(b) The VA contact point will maintain a log of all unsolicited proposals