

**Did you know . . . April 23, 2012**

1...that the policies and procedures in FAR Part 45, Government Property, do not apply to Government property that is incidental to the place of performance, when the contract requires contractor personnel to be located on a Government site or installation, and when the property used by the contractor within the location remains accountable to the Government? Items considered to be incidental to the place of performance include, for example, office space, desks, chairs, telephones, computers, and fax machines. See FAR 45.000(b)(5).

2...that the KO must include an Independent Government Cost Estimate (IGCE) in every procurement action over the SAT (\$150K) and ensure, prior to accepting it, that the IGCE: contains enough detail to verify the validity of the contractor's proposal, provides sufficient narrative and analytical data, to include reference material, is signed by the preparer and the preparer's immediate supervisor and includes a signed certification that the IGCE was developed independently by the Government prior to seeking formal proposals from contractors? See DASA PARC Policy Alert # 12-26 effective April 13, 2012 (e-mailed to 409th CSB on Apr 18, 2012).

3...that, effective 1 July 2012, the KO should ensure that all requisite requirements packages contain the "AT/OPSEC Cover Sheet" and assist the requiring activity in directing them to the appropriate technical experts as needed? However, the implementation of AT/OPSEC considerations in the requirements package is the responsibility of the requiring activity, not contracting activities. Reference DASA PARC Policy Alert #12-22: Integrating Antiterrorism (AT) and Operations Security (OPSEC). Stay tuned...More AT/OPSEC guidance will follow.

4...that the 409th's Head of Contracting Activity (HCA) is the Commander of the Expeditionary Contracting Command (ECC), Brigadier General Theodore (Ted) C. Harrison?

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