

Department of Veterans Affairs

Memorandum

Date: December 16, 2008

From: Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU)

Subj: Listing of Exempted Items from Bundling Reviews

To: See Distribution Below

1. This memorandum clarifies and updates the list of contract items that are exempt from a Small Business Program and Contract Bundling Review (i.e. submission of a VA Form 2268/ VA Form 2268a) by the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU). It does not terminate the requirement that the form(s) be utilized and filed in the applicable contract files. Approval authority for the exempted items rests with the Head of the Contracting Activity (HCA).
2. Unless the procurement method is either SDVOSB sole source or SDVOSB setaside, the exemptions below do NOT apply to acquisitions with a total contract value of \$1 ,000,000.00 or more.
3. Other than SEWP and VETS GWAC, orders against nationally established contracts (i.e. FSS, GWACs, etc.) are NOT exempt from submission to OSDBU for Bundling Review.
4. The following items (when the projected contract value is under \$1 ,000,000.00) are exempt:
 - (a) Nursing Home Services (to include specialty care facilities such as Alzheimer and Hospice Care)
 - (b) High Tech Medical Equipment, CTC scanners and MRI equipment (NAC Direct Delivery procurements only)
 - (c) Task and Delivery Orders against locally awarded IDIQ contracts previously reviewed and approved by OSDBU
 - (d) Prosthetics, artificial limbs, purchases for customized vans and modification of homes (only when procured under Title 38, Section 8123)
 - (e) Contracts with affiliates
 - (f) Bulk Oxygen (only from NAC on FSS)
 - (g) Acquisitions against SEWP and VETS GWAC

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- (h) Pharmaceutical Federal Supply program, innovator, single source drugs, special item number 42-2A, orders and BPAs
- (i) Blood and blood products
- j) Consignment agreements for items on FSS
- (k) SDVOSB Sole Source Acquisitions
- (l) SDVOSB Set-aside Acquisitions
- (m) Real Property Leases

5. Although nursing home and specialty care facilities are exempt from VA Form 2268 submission requirements, please consider small businesses when soliciting for these types of requirements.

6. This memorandum of exempt items will be updated as necessary and supersedes the previous memorandum, dated September 11, 2008. Questions should be directed to David Canada, Senior Procurement Analyst, telephone (202) 461-4253.

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