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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS
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SUBJECT: Class Deviation - Suspension of the Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Businesses

Department of Defense (DoD) contracting activities shall continue to suspend the use of the price evaluation adjustment for small disadvantaged businesses (SDBs) in DoD procurement, as prescribed in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) subpart 19.11 and Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) subpart 219.11. The suspension is in effect for a one-year period 30 days after the date of this deviation and specifically applies to solicitations issued from March 10, 2008 through March 9, 2009. The current deviation authority expires on March 9, 2008.

Subsection 2323(e) of title 10, United States Code (U.S.C.), as amended by section 801 of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 and section 816 of the Bob Stump National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2003, requires DoD to suspend the regulation implementing the authority to enter into a contract for a price exceeding fair market cost if the Secretary determines at the beginning of the Fiscal Year that DoD achieved or exceeded the five percent goal established in 10 U.S.C. 2323(a) in the most recent fiscal year for which data are available. Based on the current available data for Fiscal Year 2007, the determination is made that DoD exceeded the five percent goal established in 10 U.S.C. 2323(a) for contract awards to SDBs. Accordingly, use of the price evaluation adjustment prescribed in FAR 19.11 and DFARS 219.11 is suspended for DoD.



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