

received in response to this interim rule will be considered in formulating the final rule.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 22 and 52

Government procurement.

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Therefore, DoD, GSA, and NASA amend 48 CFR parts 22 and 52 as set forth below:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR parts 22 and 52 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 40 U.S.C. 486(c); 10 U.S.C. chapter 137; and 42 U.S.C. 2473(c).

PART 22—APPLICATION OF LABOR LAWS TO GOVERNMENT ACQUISITIONS

Subpart 22.12 [Reserved]

2. Remove and reserve Subpart 22.12.

PART 52—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

52.212–5 [Amended]

3. Amend section 52.212–5 by revising the clause date to read May 2001; and by removing paragraph (c)(6).

52.222–50 [Reserved]

4. Remove and reserve section 52.222–50.

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48 CFR Chapter 1

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Small Entity Compliance Guide.

SUMMARY: This document is issued under the joint authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services and the Administrator for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. This *Small Entity Compliance Guide* has been prepared in accordance with Section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–121). It consists of a summary of rules appearing in Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 97–26 which amend the FAR. An asterisk (*) next to a rule indicates that a regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 604. Interested parties may obtain further information regarding these rules by referring to FAC 97–26 which precedes this document. These documents are also available via the Internet at <http://www.arnet.gov/far>.

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LIST OF RULES IN FAC 97–26

Item	Subject	FAR case	Analyst
I	*Electronic Commerce in Federal Procurement	1997–304	Moss.
II	*Executive Order 13202, Preservation of Open Competition and Government Neutrality Towards Government Contractors' Labor Relations on Federal and Federally Funded Construction Projects.	2001–016	Nelson.
III	Executive Order 13204, Revocation of Executive Order On Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers Under Certain Contracts.	2001–017	Klein.

Item I—Electronic Commerce in Federal Procurement (FAR Case 1997–304)

This interim rule amends the FAR to (a) further implement section 850 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998, Pub. L. 105–85 (section 850) and (b) implement section 810 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Pub. L. 106–398, section 810). Section 850 calls for the use of cost-effective procedures and processes that employ electronic commerce in the conduct and administration of Federal procurement systems. This includes the designation in the FAR of a single point of universal electronic public access to Governmentwide procurement opportunities (the “Governmentwide Point of Entry” or “GPE”). Section 810 allows agencies to provide access to notices through the GPE, as designated

in the FAR, instead of publishing them via the Commerce Business Daily (CBD).

This rule designates Federal Business Opportunities (“FedBizOpps”) as the GPE. Agencies have until October 1, 2001, to complete their transition to, or integration with, FedBizOpps. By that date, all agencies must use FedBizOpps to provide access to public notices of procurement actions over \$25,000 that are currently required to be published in the CBD along with associated solicitations and amendments. In addition, agencies will not be required to provide notice in the CBD as of January 1, 2002, since access to this information will be provided via the Internet through FedBizOpps.

Item II—Executive Order 13202, Preservation of Open Competition and Government Neutrality Towards Government Contractors' Labor Relations on Federal and Federally Funded Construction Projects (FAR Case 2001–016)

This interim rule amends the FAR to provide language in Part 36 and revises Subparts 17.6 and 22.1 to add cross-references to Part 36. The Executive order (E.O.) provides that agencies may not require or prohibit offerors, contractors, or subcontractors from entering into or adhering to agreements with one or more labor organizations. It also permits agency heads to exempt a project from the requirements of the E.O. under special circumstances but the exemption may not be related to the possibility of, or an actual labor dispute.

**Item III—Executive Order 13204,
Revocation of Executive Order on
Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers
Under Certain Contracts (FAR Case
2001–017)**

This interim rule amends the FAR to remove Subpart 22.12, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers Under Certain Contracts. Executive Order 12933, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers Under Certain Contracts (October 20, 1994), required that building service contracts for public buildings include a clause requiring the

contractor under a contract that succeeds a contract for performance of similar services at the same public building to offer certain employees under the predecessor contract, a right of first refusal to employment under the new contract. E.O. 12933 was implemented in the FAR in Subpart 22.12.

On February 17, 2001, President George W. Bush signed E.O. 13204 rescinding E.O. 12933 and calling for the prompt recession of any orders, rules, regulations, guidelines, or policies

implementing or enforcing E.O. 12933, to the extent consistent with law. Contracting officers should not take any action on any complaint filed under former FAR Subpart 22.12.

Effective March 23, 2001, the Department of Labor rescinded its rule implementing E.O. 12933 (66 FR 16126, March 23, 2001).

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