

Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 (Pub. L. 109-364) with regard to limitations on the performance of lead system integrator functions by DoD contractors. On January 28, 2008, Section 802 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Pub. L. 110-181) placed additional limitations on DoD's use of lead system integrators. A second interim rule was published on July 15, 2009, amending the first interim rule. One comment was received after the comment period closed. The comment concerned the definitions of lead system integrator with system responsibility and lead system integrator without system responsibility. The comment was addressed in the interim rule published on July 15, 2009.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because application of the rule is limited to contractors performing lead system integrator functions for major DoD systems.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the proposed changes do not impose information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 209, 237 and 252

Government procurement.

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■ Accordingly, the interim rule amending 48 CFR Parts 209, 237, and 252, which was published at 74 FR 34268 on July 15, 2009, is adopted as a final rule without change.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Parts 225 and 252

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Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Trade Agreements—Costa Rica and Peru (DFARS Case 2008-D046)

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD is converting the interim rule issued on July 29, 2009 (74 FR 37650) to a final rule without change. The interim rule amended the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to implement the Dominican Republic—Central America—United States Free Trade Agreement with respect to Costa Rica, and the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement. The trade agreements waive the applicability of the Buy American Act for some foreign supplies and construction materials and specify procurement procedures designed to ensure fairness.

DATES: *Effective date:* January 20, 2010.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This finalizes, without change, the interim rule that implemented the Dominican Republic—Central America—United States Free Trade Agreement with respect to Costa Rica and the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement. The trade agreements waive the applicability of the Buy American Act for DoD acquisition of some foreign supplies and construction materials from Costa Rica and Peru and specify procurement procedures designed to ensure fairness.

In addition, the interim rule amended DFARS 225.003 to exclude Oman from the definition of "Free Trade Agreement country" for purposes of DoD acquisitions.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.* Although the rule opens up DoD acquisition to the products of Costa Rica and Peru, DoD does not estimate a significant economic impact on U.S. small businesses. DoD applies the trade agreements to only those non-defense items listed at DFARS 225.401-70, and acquisitions that are set aside for small businesses are exempt from application of the trade agreements. No public comments were received relating to the burden on small businesses.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The interim rule affected the certification and information collection requirements in the provisions at DFARS 252.225-7020 and 252.225-7035, currently approved under Office of Management and Budget Control Number 0704-0229. The impact, however, was negligible.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 225 and 252

Government procurement.

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PARTS 225 AND 252—[AMENDED]

Interim Rule Adopted as Final Without Change

■ Accordingly, the interim rule amending 48 CFR parts 225 and 252, which was published at 74 FR 37650 on July 29, 2009, is adopted as a final rule without change.

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