

Subpart 101-19.3—Alteration Projects

§ 101-19.301 Emergency alteration projects.

Necessary measures to insure the immediate protection of personnel and facilities and for the preservation of life and the avoidance of further property damage may be taken in an emergency prior to the submission of an alteration project prospectus.

§ 101-19.302 Prospectuses for reimbursable alteration projects.

Reimbursable alteration project prospectuses will be prepared on an “as requested” basis. A project which is to be financed in whole or in part from funds appropriated to the requesting agency may be performed without the approval of the Committees on Public Works when the agency appropriation from which payment is to be made is certified by that agency to be available without regard to the provisions of section 7 of the Public Buildings Act of 1959 (40 U.S.C. 606) and the GSA’s portion of the estimated cost, if any, does not exceed \$500,000.

Subpart 101-19.4—Construction Projects

§ 101-19.401 Contracting for construction.

Contracting for construction services by GSA will be in accordance with chapter 1 (FPR) and chapter 5B (GSPR) of this title. The method used will be that most advantageous to the Government.

§ 101-19.402 Architectural and engineering services.

(a) GSA will develop or acquire, by contract, designs and specifications for suitable buildings that will provide space that can be economically utilized and operated, and which are in harmony with surrounding structures in the community.

(b) The contract services of qualified private architects or engineers will be utilized to the fullest extent compatible with the public interest in the performance of architectural or engineering services in connection with the

preparation of drawings and specifications for GSA construction projects.

(c) Executive agencies may contract for professional engineering, architectural, and landscape architectural services for projects which fall within the definition of a “public building” contained in section 13 of the Public Buildings Act of 1959 (40 U.S.C. 612) only when the Administrator of General Services has delegated his responsibilities and authorities pursuant to section 15 of that Act (40 U.S.C. 614). (See § 101-19.501 regarding delegations of authority.)

Subpart 101-19.5—Delegation of Authority

§ 101-19.501 Conditions justifying delegation.

The authorities and responsibilities of the Administrator of General Services under the provisions of the Public Buildings Act of 1959, as amended (40 U.S.C. 601-615), shall, except for the authority in section 4 of that Act, upon request, be delegated to the appropriate executive agency where the estimated cost of the project does not exceed \$100,000 and may, in the Administrator’s discretion, be delegated in cases exceeding that amount. (See section 15 of the Act.) When the estimated cost of the project exceeds \$100,000, the following criteria will be applied in determining whether a delegation will be made:

(a) The staff capability of the requesting agency to negotiate and administer contracts for the various types of work involved; and

(b) Whether such a delegation will promote efficiency and economy. See § 101-19.402(c) regarding contracts for professional engineering and architectural services.

§ 101-19.502 Exercise of delegation.

Delegated work shall be performed according to standards established by the Administrator of General Services. No such delegation of authority shall exempt the person to whom it is made, or the exercise of such authority, from any provision of the Public Buildings Act of 1959, as amended (40 U.S.C. 601-615).