

## Department of Transportation

## 1202.1

### 1201.404 Class deviations.

Class deviations from the FAR and (TAR) 48 CFR chapter 12 may be granted in writing by the Senior Procurement Executive unless (FAR) 48 CFR 1.405(e) is applicable.

### Subpart 1201.6—Career Development, Contracting Authority and Responsibilities

#### 1201.602-3 Ratification of unauthorized commitments.

(b) *Policy.* It is the policy of DOT that all procurements are to be made only by Government officials having authority to make such acquisitions. Procurements made by other than authorized personnel are contrary to Departmental policy and may be considered matters of serious misconduct on the part of the employee making an unauthorized commitment. Consideration will be given to initiating disciplinary action against an employee who makes an unauthorized commitment.

#### 1201.603-1 General.

Each DOT operating administration is responsible for appointing its contracting officers.

## PART 1202—DEFINITIONS OF WORDS AND TERMS

### Subpart 1202.1—Definitions

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1202.1 Definitions.

#### Subpart 1202.70—Internet Links

1202.7000 General.  
APPENDIX A TO PART 1202—LIST OF INTERNET ADDRESSES FOR TAR DOCUMENTS

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### Subpart 1202.1—Definitions

#### 1202.1 Definitions.

(a) *Agency, Federal agency, or Executive agency* means the Department of Transportation.

(b) *Chief Information Officer (CIO)* means the Director of the Office of the CIO (S-80).

(c) *Chief of the contracting office (COCO)* means the individual(s) respon-

sible for managing the contracting office(s) within an operating administration.

(d) *Contracting activity* includes all the contracting offices within an operating administration and is the same as the term “procuring activity.”

(e) *Contracting officer* means an individual authorized by virtue of his/her position or by appointment to perform the functions assigned by the Federal Acquisition Regulation and the Transportation Acquisition Regulation.

(f) *Department of Transportation (DOT)* means all of the operating administrations included within the Department of Transportation.

(g) *Head of the agency or agency head* means the Deputy Secretary except for acquisition actions that, by the terms of a statute or delegation, must be done specifically by the Secretary of Transportation.

(h) *Head of the contracting activity (HCA)* means the individual responsible for managing the contracting offices within an operating administration who is a member of the Senior Executive Service or a flag officer and is the same as the term “head of the procuring activity.”

(i) *Head of the operating administration (HOA)* means the individual appointed by the President to manage the operating administration. (For acquisition related matters, the Director, Transportation Administrative Service Center (TASC) is the HOA for TASC.)

(j) *Operating administration (OA)* means the following components of DOT:

(1) Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). (FAA is exempt from the TAR (48 CFR chapter 12) and TAM in accordance with the “Department of Transportation and Related Appropriations Act for FY 1996”);

(2) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA);

(3) Federal Railroad Administration (FRA);

(4) Federal Transit Administration (FTA);

(5) Maritime Administration (MARAD);

(6) National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA);

(7) Transportation Administrative Service Center (TASC);