

when requested by the property administrator.

(b) When it is determined that the contractor's property control system is deficient, the property administrator, in coordination with the contracting officer, shall discuss the deficiencies with the contractor. If the contractor does not take action to correct the deficiencies, the contracting officer shall provide the contractor with a written notice of the deficiencies and the date all deficiencies must be corrected.

## PART 1246—QUALITY ASSURANCE

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### Subpart 1246.7—Warranties

#### 1246.701 Definitions.

#### 1246.701-70 Additional definitions.

*At no additional cost to the Government* means at no increase in price for firm-fixed-price contracts, at no increase in target or ceiling price for fixed price incentive contracts (see (FAR) 48 CFR 46.707), or at no increase in estimated cost or fee for cost-reimbursement contracts.

*Defect* means any condition or characteristic in any supplies or services furnished by the contractor under the contract that is not in compliance with the requirements of the contract.

*Design and manufacturing requirements* means structural and engineering plans

and manufacturing particulars, including precise measurements, tolerances, materials and finished product tests for the major system being produced.

*Major system* means a system or major subsystem used directly by DOT to carry out its mission(s), as defined by TAM Chapter 1234, Major Acquisition Policies and Procedures (for dollar threshold applicable to U.S. Coast Guard, See Coast Guard guidance at (TAR) 48 CFR 1246.701-90). The term does not include:

(a) Related support equipment, such as ground-handling equipment, training devices and accessories thereto, unless a cost effective warranty for the system would require inclusion of such items; or

(b) Commercial items sold in substantial quantities to the general public as described in (FAR) 48 CFR 15.804-1..

*Performance requirements* means the operating capabilities, maintenance, and reliability characteristics of a system that are determined to be necessary for it to fulfill the requirement for which the system is designed.

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#### 1246.701-90 Additional USCG definitions. (USCG)

For the USCG, in accordance with Public Law 99-190, the dollar threshold as it pertains to the inclusion of a warranty in major systems acquisitions is \$10 million.

#### 1246.703 Criteria for use of warranties.

(a) *Major systems.* The use of warranties in the procurement of major systems by the USCG is mandatory, unless waived (see USCG guidance at (TAR) 48 CFR 1246.792). Other OAs may use the procedures in USCG guidance in this part as a guideline for major systems acquisitions.

(b) *Other systems.* (1) Acquisition of warranties in the procurement of supplies that do not meet the definition of a major system (e.g., spare, repair, or replenishment parts) is governed by (FAR) 48 CFR 46.703.

(2) Contracting officers should negotiate a warranty that meets or exceeds