

Subpart 1806.3—Other Than Full and Open Competition

§ 1806.302 Circumstances permitting other than full and open competition.

§ 1806.302-4 International agreement.

§ 1806.302-470 Documentation.

Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304(f)(2)(E), an individual justification for other than full and open competition under the authority of FAR 6.302-4 is not required when the procurement officer signs a Memorandum for the Record that:

(a) Describes the specific terms of the international agreement or treaty that limit acquisitions in support of, or as a result of, the agreement or treaty to less than full and open competition; and

(b) Is included in each official contract file in the place for filing a Justification for Other than Full and Open Competition (see NASA Form 1098).

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1806.302-7 Public interest. (NASA supplements paragraph (c))

(c)(2) The notice to Congress shall be made by NASA Headquarters, Office of Legislative Affairs (Code L). Code HS shall request the notice to be made immediately upon approval of a D&F and shall advise the contracting activity of the date upon which the notification period ends.

(3) The contracting officer shall prepare the D&F required by FAR 6.302-7(c)(1) in any format that clearly documents the determination and the supporting findings.

[61 FR 40545, Aug. 5, 1996, as amended at 65 FR 12484, Mar. 9, 2000]

1806.303 Justifications.

1806.303-1 Requirements. (NASA supplements paragraphs (b) and (d))

(b) Justifications for using less than full and open competition may be prepared by the technical office initiating the contract action when it is recommending the use of the justification authority, or by the contracting officer if

the technical office does not make such a recommendation.

(d) The contracting officer shall send a copy of each approved justification or D&F that cites the authority of FAR 6.302-3(a)(2)(i) or FAR 6.302-7 to NASA Headquarters, Office of Procurement (Code HK), unless one of the exceptions at FAR 25.401 applies to the acquisition. The transmittal shall indicate that the justification is being furnished under FAR 6.303-1(d).

[61 FR 40545, Aug. 5, 1996, as amended at 64 FR 48561, Sept. 7, 1999; 65 FR 10031, Feb. 25, 2000; 65 FR 31102, May 16, 2000]

1806.303-170 Sole-source purchases by contractors.

The requirements of FAR part 6 and this part 1806 apply if NASA directs a prime contractor (by specifications, drawings, parts lists, or otherwise) to purchase items on a sole-source basis. Accordingly, procurement officers shall take necessary actions to ensure that such sole-source acquisitions are properly justified.

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1806.303-2 Content.

1806.303-270 Use of unusual and compelling urgency authority.

If the authority at FAR 6.302-2 is used for extending the performance period of an existing services contract, the justification shall contain the information required by FAR 6.303-2 and:

(a) Documentation that the acquisition process for the successor contract was started early enough to allow for adequately planning and conducting a full and open competition, together with a description of the circumstances that prevented award in a timely manner; and

(b) Documentation of the reasons why no other source could practicably compete for the interim requirement.

1806.304-70 Approval of NASA justifications.

Concurrences and approvals for justifications of contract actions conducted in accordance with FAR subparts 6.2 and 6.3 shall be obtained as follows:

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(a) For proposed contracts over \$500,000 but not exceeding \$10,000,000—

(1) Concurring official: Procurement Officer

(2) Approving official: Center or Headquarters Competition Advocate.

(b) For proposed contracts over \$10,000,000 but not exceeding \$50,000,000—

(1) Concurring officials:

(i) Procurement Officer

(ii) Center or Headquarters Competition Advocate

(2) Approving official: Center Director or Director for Headquarters Operations.

(c) For proposed contracts over \$50,000,000—

(1) Concurring officials:

(i) Procurement Officer

(ii) Center or Headquarters Competition Advocate

(iii) Center Director or Director for Headquarters Operations

(iv) Agency Competition Advocate

(2) Approving Official: Assistant Administrator for Procurement

(d) The approval authority of FAR 6.304(a)(3) may not be delegated to other than the installation's Deputy Director.

(e) For proposed contract actions requiring approval by the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, the original justification shall be forwarded to the Assistant Administrator for Procurement (Code HS).

(f) Regardless of dollar value, class justifications shall be approved by the Assistant Administrator for Procurement.

Subpart 1806.5—Competition Advocates

1806.501 Requirement. (NASA paragraphs (1), (2), (3) and (4))

(1) The Deputy Assistant Administrator for Procurement is the agency competition advocate, reporting to the Associate Deputy Administrator on issues related to competition of NASA acquisitions.

(2) The Center Deputy Directors or Associate Directors are the competition advocates for their contracting activities.

(3) The Headquarters Chief Financial Officer, Code CF, is the competition ad-

vocate for the Headquarters contracting activity.

(4) The Deputy Manager is the contracting activity competition advocate for the Space Station Program Office.

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1806.502 Duties and responsibilities. (NASA supplements paragraph (b))

(b)(i) Center competition advocates shall submit annual reports to the agency competition advocate (Code HS) on or before November 30.

(ii) The agency competition advocate shall submit an annual agency report on or before January 31.

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