

**1837.203**

(1)(i) There is a continuing need for the same or similar services for a minimum of five years (inclusive of options), and, if the contractor changes, a high percentage of the predecessor contractor's employees are expected to remain with the program; or

(ii) The employees under a predecessor contract were covered by a portable pension plan, a follow-on contract or a contract consolidating existing services is awarded, and the total contract period covered by the plan covers a minimum of five years (including both the predecessor and successor contracts); and

(2) The procurement officer determines in writing, with full supporting rationale, that such a requirement is in the Government's best interest. The procurement officer shall maintain a record of all such determinations.

(b) When pension portability is required, the plan shall comply with the requirements of the clause at 1852.237-71, Pension Portability, (see 1837.110-70(b)), and the contract shall also include a clear description of the plan, including service, pay, liabilities, vesting, termination, and benefits from prior contracts.

**Subpart 1837.2—Advisory and Assistance Services**

**1837.203 Policy. (NASA supplements paragraph (c))**

(c) Advisory and assistance services of individual experts and consultants shall normally be obtained by appointment rather than by contract (see NPG 3300.1, Appointment of Personnel To/From NASA, Chapter 4, Employment of Experts and Consultants).

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**1837.204 Guidelines for determining availability of personnel. (NASA supplements paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (e))**

(a)(i) Outside peer review evaluators may be used to evaluate SBIR, STTR, NRA, AO, and unsolicited proposals without making the determination of non-availability.

(ii) For all other actions, the NASA official one level above the NASA program official responsible for the evaluation shall make the determination, with the concurrence of the legal office. The contracting officer shall ensure that a copy of the determination is in the contract file prior to issuance of a solicitation.

(b) The official designated in paragraph (a)(ii) of this section is responsible for the actions required in FAR 37.204(b).

(c) The agreement shall be made by the program official responsible for the evaluation and the contracting officer.

(e) The Assistant Administrator for Procurement (Code HS) is the approval authority for class determinations. The class determination request shall include the assessment required by FAR 37.204(b).

**PART 1839—ACQUISITION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**Subpart 1829.1—General**

Sec.

1839.105 Privacy.

1839.107 Contract clause.

1839.107-70 NASA contract clause.

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