

2509.407

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2509.407 Suspension.

2509.407-1 General.

(d) The NSF Deputy Director will decide whether to enter into a contract with a suspended contractor. He or she will prepare a written statement of the compelling reasons justifying continued business dealings between the Foundation and the contractor.

2509.407-3 Procedures.

(a) Any NSF employee who becomes aware of circumstances that may serve as the basis for suspension of a contractor will promptly report them to the NSF Office of Inspector General (OIG) and the suspending official. OIG will investigate the circumstances and, if it determines appropriate, prepare a written referral of the matter to the suspending official.

(b) Upon receipt of a referral from the NSF Office of Inspector General, the suspending official will determine, in consultation as appropriate with OIG, the NSF Office of the General Counsel, the NSF Procurement Executive, and program officials, what additional steps are necessary and appropriate to make a decision in accordance with the requirements of 48 CFR 9.407-3.

2509.408 Certification regarding debarment, suspension, proposed debarment, and other responsibility matters.

(a)(2) NSF contracting officers will notify the Office of Inspector General and the Deputy Director whenever information submitted by offerors in compliance with the Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Proposed Debarment, and Other Responsibility Matters provisions in solicitations indicates the existence of an indictment, charge, conviction, or civil judgment.

2509.410 Appeals.

(a) A debarred or suspended contractor may appeal to the Director in writing within 30 days after receiving notice of the debarring or suspending official's decision in accordance with 48 CFR 9.406-3(e) or §9.407-3(d)(4). The debarring or suspending official's decision becomes a final administrative action if not appealed within the 30 day period.

(b) The Director may appoint an uninvolved NSF officer or employee to review an appeal and make recommendations.

(c) The Director will inform the appellant of a final decision within 30 days after receiving the appeal. That decision will be the final administrative action of the Foundation.