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interchange using ANSI standards. For further information, contact GSA, Contract Administration Division [Insert appropriate telephone number of FQC] Reports shall be forwarded to the ACO no later than the seventh workday of the succeeding month.

(b) An initial supply of GSA Form 1678 will be forwarded to the Contractor with the contract. Additional copies of the form, if needed, may be obtained from the ACO, or reproduced by the Contractor.

(End of clause)

552.243-70 Pricing of Adjustments.

As prescribed in 543.205(a)(1), insert the following clause:

PRICING OF ADJUSTMENTS (APR 1989)

When costs are a factor in any determination of a contract price adjustment, such costs shall be in accordance with the contract cost principles and procedures in Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Part 31) in effect on the date of this contract.

(End of clause)

552.243-71 Equitable Adjustments.

As prescribed in 543.205(a)(2), insert the following clause:

EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENTS (APR 1984)

(a) The provisions of the "Changes" clause prescribed by FAR 52.243-4 are supplemented as follows:

(1) Upon written request, the Contractor shall submit a proposal, in accordance with the requirements and limitations set forth in the "Equitable Adjustments" clause, for work involving contemplated changes covered by the request. The proposal shall be submitted within the time limit indicated in the request or any extension of such time limit as may be subsequently granted. The Contractor's written statement of the monetary extent of a claim for equitable adjust-

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ment shall be submitted in the following form:

(i) Proposals totaling \$5,000 or less shall be submitted in the form of a lump sum proposal with supporting information to clearly relate elements of cost with specific items of work involved to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer, or his/her authorized representative.

(ii) For proposals in excess of \$5,000, the claim for equitable adjustment shall be submitted in the form of a lump sum proposal supported with an itemized breakdown of all increases and decreases in the contract in at least the following detail:

Direct Costs

Material quantities by trades and unit costs (Manufacturing burden associated with material fabrication performed will be considered to be part of the material costs of the fabricated item delivered to the job site)

Labor breakdown by trades and unit costs (Identified with specific item of material to be placed or operation to be performed)

Construction equipment exclusively necessary for the change

Costs of preparation and/or revision to shop drawings resulting from the change
Workers' Compensation and Public Liability Insurance

Employment taxes under FICA and FUTA
Bond Costs—when size of change warrants revision

Overhead, Profit and Commission

(2) The allowable overhead shall be determined in accordance with the contract cost principles and procedures in Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR part 31) in effect on the date of this contract. The percentages for profit and commission shall be negotiated and may vary according to the nature, extent and complexity of the work involved, but in no case shall exceed the following unless the Contractor demonstrates entitlement to a higher percentage:

| | Overhead | Profit (percent) | Commission (percent) |
|--|------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| To Contractor on work performed by other than his own forces | | | 10 |
| To first tier subcontractor on work performed by his subcontractors | | | 10 |
| To Contractor and/or the subcontractors for that portion of the work performed with their respective forces. | To be Negotiated | 10 | |

Not more than four percentages will be allowed regardless of the number of tier subcontractors. The Contractor shall not be allowed a commission on the commission received by a first tier subcontractor. Equitable adjustments for deleted work shall in-

clude credits for overhead, profit and commission. On proposals covering both increases and decreases in the amount of the contract, the application of overhead and profit shall be on the net change in direct

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costs for the Contractor or subcontractor performing the work.

(3) The Contractor shall submit with the proposal his request for time extension (if any), and shall include sufficient information and dates to demonstrate whether and to what extent the change will delay the contract in its entirety.

(4) In considering a proposal, the Government shall make check estimates in detail, utilizing unit prices where specified or agreed upon, with a view to arriving at an equitable adjustment.

(5) After receipt of a proposal the Contracting Officer shall act thereon, within 30 days; provided however, that when the necessity to proceed with a change does not allow time properly to check a proposal or in the event of failure to reach an agreement on a proposal, the Government may order the Contractor to proceed on the basis of price to be determined at the earliest practicable date. Such price shall not be more than the increase or less than the decrease proposed.

(6) If a mutually acceptable agreement cannot be reached, the Contracting Officer may determine the price unilaterally.

(b) The provisions of the "Differing Site Conditions" clause prescribed by FAR 52.236-2 are supplemented as follows: The Contractor shall submit all claims for equitable adjustment in accordance with, and subject to the requirements and limitations set out in paragraph (a) of this "Equitable Adjustments" clause.

(End of clause)

552.243-72 Modifications (Multiple Award Schedule).

As prescribed in 543.205(b), insert the following clause:

MODIFICATIONS (MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE)
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(a) *General.* The Contractor may request a contract modification by submitting a request to the Contracting Officer for approval, except as noted in paragraph (d) of this clause. At a minimum, every request shall describe the proposed change(s) and provide the rationale for the requested change(s).

(b) *Types of Modifications.*

(1) *Additional items/additional SINs.* When requesting additions, the following information must be submitted:

(i) Information requested in paragraphs (1) and (2) of the Commercial Sales Practice Format to add SINs.

(ii) Discount information for the new item(s) or new SIN(s). Specifically, submit the information requested in paragraphs 3 through 5 of the Commercial Sales Practice Format. This information is the same as the

initial award, a statement to that effect may be submitted instead.

(iii) Information about the new item(s) or the item(s) under the new SIN(s) as described in 552.212-70, Preparation of Offer (Multiple Award Schedule) is required.

(iv) Delivery time(s) for the new item(s) or the items under the new SIN(s) must be submitted in accordance with 552.211-78, Commercial Delivery Schedule (Multiple Award Schedule).

(v) Production point(s) for the new item(s) or the item(s) under the new SIN(s) must be submitted if required by 52.215-6, Place of Performance.

(vi) Hazardous material information (if applicable) must be submitted as required by 52.223-3 (ALT I), Hazardous Material Identification and Material Safety Data.

(vii) Any information requested by 52.212-3(f), Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items, that may be necessary to assure compliance with FAR 52.225-1, Buy American Act—Balance of Payments Programs—Supplies.

(2) *Deletions.* The Contractor shall provide an explanation for the deletion. The Government reserves the right to reject any subsequent offer of the same item or a substantially equal item at a higher price during the same contract period, if the contracting officer finds the higher price to be unreasonable when compared with the deleted item.

(3) *Price Reduction.* The Contractor shall indicate whether the price reduction falls under item (i), (ii), or (iii) of paragraph (c)(1) of the Price Reductions clause at 552.238-75. If the price reduction falls under item (i), the Contractor shall submit a copy of the dated commercial price list. If the price reduction falls under item (ii) or (iii), the Contractor shall submit a copy of the applicable price list(s), bulletins or letters or customer agreements which outline the effective date, duration, terms and conditions of the price reduction.

(c) *Effective Dates.* The effective date of any modification is the date specified in the modification, except as otherwise provided in the Price Reductions clause at 552.238-75.

(d) *Electronic File Updates.* The Contractor shall update electronic file submissions to reflect all modifications. For additional items or SINs, the Contractor shall obtain the contracting officer's approval before transmitting changes. Contract modifications will not be made effective until the Government receives the electronic file updates. The Contractor may transmit price reductions, item deletions, and corrections without prior approval. However, the Contractor shall notify the contracting officer as set forth in the Price Reductions clause at 552.238-75.

(e) *Amendments to Paper Supply Schedule Price Lists.*