

Committee, is also available at <http://www.section508.gov>.

This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under Section 6(b) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Department of Defense, the General Services Administration, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration certify that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule keeps the status quo by continuing the micropurchase exemption to Section 508 until April 1, 2005. The extension of the micropurchase exception will not cause a significant impact on the disability community or industry.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the changes to the FAR do not impose information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 39

Government procurement.

Dated: April 1, 2005.

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Director, Contract Policy Division, General Services Administration.

Interim Rule Adopted as Final Without Change

■ Accordingly, the interim rule amending 48 CFR part 39, which was published at 69 FR 59702, October 5, 2004, is adopted as a final rule without change.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Part 52

[FAC 2005–03; Item III]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document makes amendments to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) in order to make editorial corrections.

DATES: *Effective Date:* April 11, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The FAR Secretariat, Room 4035, GS Building, Washington, DC, 20405, (202) 501–4755, for information pertaining to status or publication schedules. Please cite FAC 2005–03, Technical Amendments.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 52

Government procurement.

Dated: April 1, 2005.

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Director, Contract Policy Division, General Services Administration.

■ Therefore, DoD, GSA, and NASA amend 48 CFR part 52 as set forth below:

PART 52—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR part 52 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 40 U.S.C. 121(c); 10 U.S.C. chapter 137; and 42 U.S.C. 2473(c).

52.212–5 [Amended]

■ 2. Amend section 52.212–5 by revising the date of the clause to read “(APR 2005)”; and by removing from paragraph (b)(26) “(DEC 2003)” and adding “(MAR 2005)” in its place.

52.213–4 [Amended]

■ 3. Amend section 52.213–4 by revising the date of the clause to read “(APR 2005)”; and by removing from paragraph (a)(1)(iv) “(DEC 2003)” and adding “(MAR 2005)” in its place.

52.219–18 [Amended]

■ 4. Amend section 52.219–18, in Alternate I, by removing “(Nov 1989)” and adding “(Apr 2005)” in its place; removing “subparagraph (a)(4)” and adding “paragraph (a)(3)” in its place; and removing the paragraph designation “(4)” and adding “(3)” in its place.

52.225–13 [Amended]

■ 5. Amend section 52.225–13 by removing from the clause heading “(DEC 2003)” and adding “(MAR 2005)” in its place.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Chapter 1

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Entity Compliance Guide

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Small Entity Compliance Guide.

SUMMARY: This document is issued under the joint authority of the Secretary of Defense, the Administrator of General Services and the Administrator for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. This *Small Entity Compliance Guide* has been prepared in accordance with Section 212 of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996. It consists of a summary of rules appearing in Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005–03 which amend the FAR. An asterisk (*) next to a rule indicates that a regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain further information regarding these rules by referring to FAC 2005–03 which precedes this document. These documents are also available via the Internet at <http://www.acqnet.gov/far>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laurieann Duarte, FAR Secretariat, (202) 501–4755. For clarification of content, contact the analyst whose name appears in the table below.

LIST OF RULES IN FAC 2005-03

Item	Subject	FAR case	Analyst
I*	Purchases From Federal Prison Industries—Requirement for Market Research (Interim)	2003-023	Nelson.
II	Section 508 Micropurchase Exemption	2004-020	Nelson.
III	Technical Amendments.		

Item I—Purchases From Federal Prison Industries—Requirement for Market Research (FAR Case 2003-023) (Interim)

This interim rule updates and clarifies procedures for purchase of items from Federal Prison Industries (FPI). The changes include—

- Establishment of a permanent requirement for market research and a comparability determination before purchasing an item of supply listed in the FPI Schedule. For civilian agencies, this requirement previously applied only to purchases made using fiscal year 2004 appropriated funds. Section 637 of Division H of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005, made this requirement permanent for all Federal agencies.

- Clarification that, if a solicitation is available through the Governmentwide point of entry (FedBizOpps), it is not necessary to provide a separate copy of the solicitation to FPI.

- Clarification that, if an agency determines that an FPI item provides the best value to the Government as a result of FPI's response to a competitive solicitation, the agency must purchase the item from FPI using the ordering procedures at FPI's website.

Item II—Section 508 Micropurchase Exemption (FAR Case 2004-020)

The interim rule published on October 5, 2004, is converted to a final rule without change. This rule extends the Electronic and Information Technology (Section 508) micropurchase exception to April 1, 2005. This rule is of special interest to

contracting officers and other individuals designated in accordance with FAR 1.603-3. All micropurchases made on and after April 1, 2005, must comply with the requirements of Section 508. Micropurchases are subject to the same exemption provision as larger dollar buys, as articulated in FAR 39.204.

Item III—Technical Amendments

Editorial changes are made at FAR 52.212-5, 52.213-4, 52.219-18, and 52.225-13, in order to update references.

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