General Services Administration

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**GSA ORDER**

Subject: General Services Administration Acquisition Manual; GSAR Case 2016-G509, Updates to the Issuance of GSA’s Acquisition Policy

1. Purpose. This order transmits a revision to the General Services Administration Acquisition Manual (GSAM).
2. Background. As part of GSA’s regulatory reform efforts, GSA has been performing a comprehensive review of the regulatory requirements in the GSAR. As a part of these efforts, GSA identified several instances of internal agency guidance within GSAR part 501 that needs to be moved to the GSAM as non-regulatory. In addition, this case clarifies the process surrounding the issuance of GSA acquisition policy.

1. Effective date. This order is effective immediately.
2. Explanation of changes. This amendment includes both regulatory and non-regulatory changes. For full text changes of the amendment see GSAR 2016-G509 - Tab A - GSAM/GSAR Text, Line-In/Line-Out.

This amendment revises the regulatory language of GSAR part 501 to remove internal guidance from the regulatory and move it to the non-regulatory portion of the GSAM. The following is a summary of the revisions:

* Amends GSAR section 501.104 to remove paragraph (d) in its entirety as it was determined to be no longer necessary;
* Amends GSAR subsection 501.105-1 to remove paragraphs (c) and (d) in their entirety and revise paragraph (a) for purposes of updating the subsection concerning official publication of the GSAR;
* Amends GSAR subsection 501.105-3 to revise it in its entirety for purposes of updating it to reflect where one can obtain copies of the GSAR; and
* Amends GSAR subpart 501.4 to remove the subpart in its entirety from the GSAR and move it to the GSAM as non-regulatory.

This amendment also revises non-regulatory language of GSAM part 501 and subpart 507.1, as summarized below:

* Adds GSAM section 501.107 to provide GSA’s supplement to the FAR concerning how to address requirements for a certification by a contractor or offeror;
* Revises GSAM section 501.170 in its entirety based on the revisions made to the GSAM under this Order;
* Removes GSAM section 501.171 in its entirety as a result of moving the requirements to the newly created GSAM subpart 501.3;
* Adds GSAM subpart 501.3 to provide GSA’s supplement to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) regarding the issuance of agency regulations and internal agency policies, procedures, and guidance. Some of the information came from the previous GSAM section 501.171.
* Adds GSAM subpart 501.4 to reflect its move from the GSAR to the GSAM as non-regulatory;
* Adds GSAM subpart 501.5 to provide GSA’s supplement to the FAR requirement concerning agency and public participation; and
* Amends GSAM 507.105(c)(3) to revise paragraphs (i) and (ii) to reflect the requirements being moved to GSAM section 501.304.

5. Cancellations and Rescissions: MV-11-06 entitled, “Requirements for Preparation of Class Deviations to the GSAM” dated September 27, 2011 is canceled as a result of this Order.

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