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Dear Mr. Denett,

This serves as the Department of Defense's (DoD's) final certification of FY2007 data reported to the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS). The Department's reported FY07 data as of June 26, 2008 totaled over 3.4M actions valued at over \$328B. The attached table identifies the breakout by Component.

In order to provide the Department's final certification, I requested each of the Components with procurement authority complete a certification for their Service or Agency, and they are attached hereto. As you will note, a few of the Components have identified some outstanding issues they are still working with the General Services Administration (GSA) and its contractor to correct. Additionally, as I indicated in my interim certification dated April 14, 2008, the Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) is unable to report its modifications to contracts it administers until GSA implements change request #218 in the FPDS software. DCMA's provided certification hereto addresses only those actions it can report at this time. Finally, a few of the Components are currently completing disposition of FY07 records that are in a draft status. Many of these occurred during our transition to FPDS at the beginning of FY07 and will ultimately be deleted. We do not expect any significant changes to the Department's overall achievements as a result of the resolution of these draft records. As such, except for the above items, we are confident that the data in FPDS reflects more than 99% of the Department's FY07 reportable actions.

Of special note for FY07 is the reporting for the Joint Contracting Command – Iraq / Afghanistan (JCC-I/A), whose statistics are included in the Army's overall numbers. As you know, FY07 data for JCC-I/A was provided in summary fashion per office due to limitations in their supporting systems in theater. CENTCOM since provided a plan to my office to ensure that FY08 and out-year reporting is accomplished using individual action reporting.

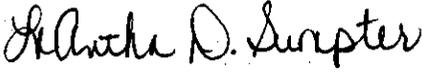
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I also want to provide you an update regarding our verification and validation (V&V) efforts as they pertain to contract reporting data in FPDS. The Department has implemented several items that I documented in my April 14, 2008 memo to improve the accuracy of data in the system, as well as procurement data throughout our infrastructure. As you can see on the Components' certifications, they have done the same within their organizations. With the exceptions of the effects of (1) the outstanding items in the Components' certifications; (2) on-going FPDS change requests for data accuracy, problem reports and data management fixes that GSA and its contractor are addressing; and (3) required use of other agency Indefinite Delivery Vehicle (IDV) data and Central Contractor Registration (CCR) vendor data in FPDS that impact validity of DoD submitted contract action reports; we are confident in the accuracy of the reported FY07 data. Additionally, we are preparing our plan for FY08 consistent with your May 9, 2008 direction, and will provide it in July 2008 as requested.

Thank you also for your May 23, 2008 letter that addressed the resource level of the FPDS program. Since our request, we have noticed the improvements you referenced, and appreciate the increased focus and resources placed on issues that affect the accuracy of the data and the users of the system. As GSA deploys version 1.3 of the software, we believe that this continued focus will be critical to ensure a smooth transition to the new version for all agencies.

I trust that this final certification package answers the remainder of your concerns from your May 23, 2008 letter. Should you need additional information or wish to discuss the issues herein further, LeAntha Sumpter, 703-602-7955, [leantha.sumpter@osd.mil](mailto:leantha.sumpter@osd.mil), is my lead for contract reporting issues.

  
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Attachments  
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