



ACQUISITION,  
TECHNOLOGY  
AND LOGISTICS

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

3000 DEFENSE PENTAGON  
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-3000

APR 27 2011

In reply refer to  
DARS Tracking Number: 2011-O0007

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS  
COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE)  
COMMANDER, UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION  
COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE)  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
(PROCUREMENT)  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
(ACQUISITION AND LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT)  
DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE  
(CONTRACTING)  
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES  
DIRECTORS OF THE DOD FIELD ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Class Deviation—Requirement for Accelerated Payments to Small Businesses

Effective immediately, the Department of Defense (DoD) will commence implementation of the requirement at the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement 232.903 and 232.906 to make accelerated payments to small businesses. All DoD entitlement and payment systems need to be modified to accommodate this policy change. As a result, accelerating payments to small businesses will be accomplished in a phased approach as these systems are modified. In the initial phase, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) will modify DoD's largest payment system, the Mechanization of Contract Administration Services system. Subsequent phases will consist of a system-by-system initiation of accelerated payments as DFAS and the other DoD Components update their respective systems to accommodate the accelerated payment procedures.

We will update this class deviation as each system acquires the capability to perform the accelerated payment process. This class deviation will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded.

My point of contact for this action is Ms. Lee Renna who may be reached at 703-602-0764 or [marylee.renna@osd.mil](mailto:marylee.renna@osd.mil).

Shay D. Assad  
Director, Defense Procurement  
and Acquisition Policy