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PGI 239—Acquisition of Information Technology

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PGI 239.74—TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

PGI 239.7402 Policy.

(c) *Foreign carriers.*

(i) Frequently, foreign carriers are owned by the government of the country in which they operate. The foreign governments often prescribe the methods of doing business.

(ii) In contracts for telecommunications services in foreign countries, describe the rates and practices in as much detail as possible. It is DoD policy not to pay discriminatory rates. DoD will pay a reasonable rate for telecommunications services or the rate charged the military of that country, whichever is less.

(iii) Refer special problems with telecommunications acquisition in foreign countries to higher headquarters for resolution with appropriate State Department representatives.

(d) *Long-haul telecommunications services.* DISA will acquire all long-haul telecommunications services for DoD. See [DoD Directive 5105.19](#), Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA).

PGI 239.7405 Delegated authority for telecommunications resources.

Related Documents:

Documents related to DoD's delegated authority to enter into telecommunications service contracts are available [here](#).

PGI 239.7406 Certified cost or pricing data and data other than certified cost or pricing data.

Examples of instances where certified cost or pricing data, if required in accordance with FAR 15.403-4, or data other than certified cost or pricing data, if required in accordance with FAR 15.403-3, may be necessary to support price reasonableness include—

- (1) Nontariffed services;
- (2) Special rates and charges not included in a tariff, whether filed or to be filed;
- (3) Special assembly rates and charges;
- (4) Special construction and equipment charges;

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(5) Contingent liabilities that are fixed at the outset of the service;

(6) Proposed cancellation and termination charges under the clause at [252.239-7007](#), Cancellation or Termination of Orders, and reuse arrangements under the clause at [252.239-7008](#), Reuse Arrangements;

(7) Rates contained in voluntary tariffs filed by nondominant common carriers; or

(8) A tariff, whether filed or to be filed, for new services installed or developed primarily for Government use.

PGI 239.7407 Type of contract.

When using a basic agreement in conjunction with a communication service authorization—

(1) Use DD Form 428, Communication Service Authorization (CSA), or an electronic data processing substitute to award, modify, cancel, or terminate telecommunications services. The CSA shall—

(i) Refer to the basic agreement;

(ii) Specify the types and quantities and equipment to be provided as well as the tariff (or other price if a tariff is not available) of those services and equipment;

(iii) Specify the premises involved;

(iv) Cite the address for billing;

(v) Identify the disbursing office;

(vi) Provide funding information; and

(vii) Include an expiration date.

(2) Before awarding a CSA, comply with the requirements in FAR and DFARS, e.g., for competition, reviews, approvals, and determinations and findings.