



GSA Administrator

June 2, 2014

The Honorable Chuck Hagel
Secretary of Defense
Washington, DC 20301

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The enclosed signed Delegation of Authority extends the authority for the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) to procure transportation and traffic management services on behalf of the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) for USCG non-military freight shipments, including tenders of service support, negotiations, Federal Acquisition Regulation contracting, and traffic management. This extension to DOD to procure said services on behalf of USCG is granted for a period of 3 years, retroactively from August 1, 2013, through July 31, 2016.

By letter dated July 23, 2013, Melvin A. Holland III, Director, Strategic Business Office, Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command, requested a 5-year extension of the authority from August 2013 through July 2018. According to GSA's records, the original delegation was granted in August 2001 and has been extended multiple times, through July 2013.

The enclosed delegation authorizes DOD to continue the cost saving and business practice improvements for the USCG and contains conditions with regard to data reporting. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Ms. Carolyn Austin-Diggs, Acting Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Asset and Transportation Management, at (202) 501-1777.

Sincerely,

Dan Tangherlini
Administrator of General Services

Enclosure (GSA Delegation of Authority)

Cc: The Honorable Jeh Johnson
Admiral Paul F. Zukunft



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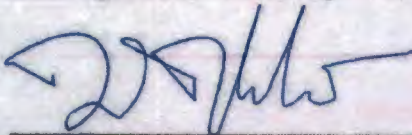
Delegation of Authority

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator of General Services (GSA) by 40 U.S.C. § 121(d) and 40 U.S.C. § 501, I hereby delegate authority to the Secretary of Defense to contract for the procurement of transportation and traffic management services on behalf of the United States Coast Guard (USCG) for its non-military freight shipments. These services include tenders of service support, negotiations, Federal Acquisition Regulation contracting, and traffic management under the Transportation Act (40 U.S.C. §10101, et seq.).

This authority provides for continued USCG participation in the U.S. Department of Defense's (DOD) Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command's (SDDC) Freight Transportation Program for USCG non-military freight within and outside the continental United States. This delegation is valid for a period of 3 years from August 1, 2013 (retroactive), through July 31, 2016.

In support of any future written request for an extension of this delegation of authority, DOD and/or USCG shall provide GSA with a report detailing USCG's use of DOD's contract for the procurement of transportation and traffic management services. This report must provide comparative quantitative data supporting the participation by USCG in DOD's freight transportation program. This report also must detail and provide data supporting the statements made by Captain Kerr in his request letter dated June 27, 2013, that the delegation has yielded governmentwide benefits through USCG's elimination of costly and inefficient business processes, through savings resulting from e-business opportunities, and through the use of a shared military logistics systems for transporting assets in a controlled environment.

During fiscal year 2014, GSA's Office of Government-wide Policy will issue a Delegation of Authority Bulletin that will detail the process and any additional requirements for requesting a delegation of authority. This guidance must be followed for future extension requests.



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