

# PDS & PRDS: A Brief History

P2P Symposium

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# PDS History

- **2008** – Schema development began.
- **2010** - Construction, Telecommunication, Architect and Engineering contracts not fully supported
  - May - v2.2.1 published for awards only
  - Dec – v2.3, added modifications
- **2012** July – v2.4, added Construction, Architect and Engineering contract capabilities
- **2014**
  - Feb – v2.2.1 retired
  - Sept - v2.5
    - added Telecommunication capability
    - Added Solicitation and Amendment data fields
    - Incorporated PIID
- **2016** Aug – V2.5.1
  - Enables Hand Shake 2 (Funds Certification)
  - Use of Clause Logic Service (CLS)
- **2018**
  - Feb – PDS v2.3 retired
  - Apr target – CCB review of draft V2.6
    - Data fields for Solicitation Module support
    - Business Classification re-engineering
  - May – v2.5.1 Solicitation document validation will be available
  - Oct – v2.4 and v2.5 will be retired

# PRDS History

- **2010** Mar – v1.0
- **2011** Nov – v1.0.1 – minor adjustments
- **2013**
  - Mar
    - v1.0 and v1.0.1 retired
    - v1.1
      - added Construction and Architect and Engineering contract capabilities
      - Initial preparation for MIPRs
  - Nov - v1.1, finalized MIPR capability
- **2016** June – v2.0, added data fields for Intra-Governmental Transaction federal system support
- **2017** Sept – v3.0, added capability to request modifications to existing contracts

# FAQ

## What value goes in <DocumentPurpose>?

- Uses
  - Determines how the document will be processed.
  - Denotes where the document is in the procurement process.
- Main Values
  - Funds Certification Request
    - Initiates Handshake 1 (PRDS) or 2 (PDS) of the Procure-to-Pay (P2P) process.
    - If the document passes validations, sent to enabled accounting systems/
    - 1-2 Validation Response xmls returned:
      - 1<sup>st</sup> from PDS/PRDS validations. If non-fatal errors, contains list of accounting systems and whether or not the transaction was sent to them.
      - 2<sup>nd</sup> with results from contacted accounting systems if they responded.
  - Validation Test
    - Initiates a pre-award validation process.
    - 1 Validation Response xml returned.
    - Document not provided to any system.
  - Original
    - Indicates an awarded procurement document.
    - 1 Validation Response xml returned.
    - If non-fatal errors, passed to EDA as well as other systems when connections in place.
      - PR system to CWS (PRDS example)
      - CWS to accounting (PDS example, Handshake 3)

# FAQ

## **If document issued in a foreign currency, which amount fields must be in US dollars?**

- Committed Amounts
- Obligated Amounts
- Not To Exceed Funding Amounts

## **Why can't US Dollars be used for a Unit of Measure?**

- Does not describe what is being delivered
- Not an allowable unit of measure in the DFARS

## **PRDS: What is expected for requirements description?**

- <Requirements Description> - Uniform Contract Format (UCF) Section C. Any description or specifications needed in addition to UCF Section B. (This carries statements of objectives, performance work statements, statements of work and similar text descriptions when not separated in an attachment. Specific numbered specifications, standards, and other standardized descriptive data is handled separately under Product or Service Identifiers and Reference Numbers)
- <Basic Information/ Purchase Request Description> - Reference line 16 of Synopsis in FAR 5.207
  - “Prepare a clear and concise description of the supplies or services that is not unnecessarily restrictive of competition and will allow a prospective offeror to make an informed business judgment as to whether a copy of the solicitation should be requested including the following, as appropriate:” [see FAR 5.207 for list]