MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES CYBER COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE) 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 (PROCUREMENT) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (CONTRACTING) DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Contract Identification of the Department of the Air Force Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement in Provisions and Clauses

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) subpart 52.103(b) requires any provision or clause supplementing the FAR to be clearly identified by number, title, date, and name of the regulation. The Procurement Data Standard (PDS) implements these requirements by collecting, transporting, and rendering a controlled set of values permissible for each respective data element. The most recently published version of PDS, 2.6.2.1, supports enumerating the value Air Force Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement as AFFARS, but it does not support enumerating the Department of the Air Force FAR supplement as DAFFARS as a distinct value. Defense Pricing and Contracting (DPC) recognizes the need to enumerate DAFFARS in the PDS, as implementation will not take place until the PDS version 2.7 is published and implemented in various business systems across the Department of Defense.

Effective immediately and until rescinded, DoD contracting activities shall observe the following rules for writing, reading, and transacting the “name of the regulation” data element with provisions and clauses:

1. If the effective date on a provision or clause is July 2023 or later, and is labeled as AFFARS on a solicitation, award, or modification, it shall be read and understood as DAFFARS rather than AFFARS. This applies to both human-readable or rendered versions of contracts produced by contract writing systems and Electronic Data Access (EDA), as well PDS electronic representations of solicitations, awards, and modifications (or American National Standards Institute X12 Electronic Data Interchange standard transaction set equivalents).

2. If a human-readable or rendered version of a solicitation, award, or modification has a provision or clause number beginning with 5352, it is not necessary to print AFFARS
or DAFFARS with provisions or clauses on the document despite the disconnect with electronic data. Provisions or clauses beginning with 5352 are understood to indicate AFFARS when dated prior to July 2023, and they are understood to indicate DAFFARS when dated July 2023 or later.

These rules shall be taken into consideration when validating that electronic contract data posted at Electronic Data Access (EDA) in accordance with Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) Procedures, Guidance and Information (PGI) subpart 204.201 accurately represents a contract, as described at DFARS 204.270-2 and DFARS PGI subpart 204.270-2.

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