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SUBJECT: Procurement Data Standard and Purchase Request Data Standard Version Management

References: (a) Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Policy, Guidance and Instructions Subparts (PGI) 204.2 and 211.70  
(b) Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) memorandum, "Use of the Purchase Request Data Standard for Spend Traceability," March 19, 2021  
(c) Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation, Volume 1, Chapter 4

To accelerate the path to an unmodified audit opinion for the Department we must improve processes and controls to prevent and clear unmatched transactions (UMTs) in a timely manner. The Procure-to-Pay (P2P) Process Advocates Working Group, co-chaired by Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment (A&S), Defense, Pricing, Contracting, and Acquisition Policy and Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) (OUSD(C)), Enterprise Financial Transformation, identified a lack of data standardization across P2P as a root cause of UMTs. They established Department of Defense data standards from the initial development of a purchase request through contract closeout. These data standards are incorporated into the P2P business process and are required by References (a) and (b).

The Procurement Data Standard (PDS) and Purchase Request Data Standard (PRDS) are continually improved based on feedback from the Military Departments to systemically address Notices of Findings and Recommendations (NFR). Versions of the data standards are managed through a Change Control Board process. To ensure organizations meet all processes and controls addressed by PDS and PRDS, the following versions will no longer receive developmental support as of December 31, 2024, and will no longer be routed via the Global Exchange as of December 31, 2025:

- PDS 2.6.1 and all previous versions
- PRDS 2.0 and all previous versions

PDS 2.6.2, 2.6.2.1 and PRDS 3.0 will receive developmental support until December 31, 2025. The most recent versions are PDS 2.7 and PRDS 3.1, with ongoing developmental support. All schema versions and change logs are at <https://www.acq.osd.mil/asda/dpc/ce/ds/index.html>.

PDS 2.7 enables the population of Standard Line of Accounting (SLOA) data as discrete data elements, as required by Reference (c). Target contract writing and accounting systems should immediately develop capabilities to process PDS 2.7 to meet this requirement. OUSD(C) will provide Global Exchange translation capabilities for PDS 2.6.2 and 2.6.2.1 to target accounting systems until target contract writing systems move to PDS 2.7. PRDS versions 2.0

and later can already populate SLOA as discrete elements. Target accounting systems should ensure that they populate the discrete SLOA fields in PRDS instead of the open field commonly referred to as “the blob.”

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