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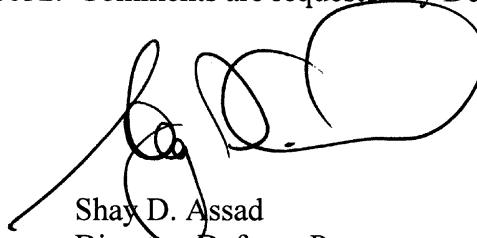
SUBJECT: Publication of Draft Data Standards for Warranty Data and Government Furnished
Property

The publication of the Procurement Data Standard (PDS) Phases I and II established an enterprise data structure for new contract and order awards and contract modifications (see References a & b). In August 2010, the Electronic Document Access system deployed the ability to receive and store data in this standard format. Reference (c) announced the Purchase Request Data Standard (PRDS), which is being incorporated into the contingency Acquisition Support Model system (cASM) in order to improve contingency contracting. As the Department continues to move from document centric processes to data centric processes, we are identifying additional key data needed to manage the requirement, contract, and items delivered thereunder.

In order to facilitate exchange of data among multiple systems, Defense Procurement plans to publish data schemas that can be carried within either the PDS or PRDS. To that end, and in support of Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Procedures, Guidance and Information (PGI) case 2010-P001, "Stewardship of Government Contract Property," published July 23, 2010, and DFARS Proposed Rule 2009-D018, "Warranty Tracking of Serialized Items," published as a proposed rule August 30, 2010 (75 FR 52917), two proposed data schemas have been developed. The first addresses data required for government furnished property to be provided under a contract. The second addresses warranty data critical to contract and lifecycle management. Both of these, as well as the PRDS, PDS, and supporting documents can be viewed on the Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy website at http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/eb/procurement_data_standard.html. The schemas show relationships and allowable values for each data element.

I invite the addressees to comment on the proposed schemas to ensure they meet the intended business environment. It is expected that all systems that handle data about government furnished property or warranties will be able to send or receive data that conform to this standard as appropriate, thus improving system interoperability, data accuracy, data visibility, and transparency.

Questions and comments on the standard may be directed to my lead for this effort, Bruce ProPERT, bruce.proPERT@osd.mil, 703-602-8032. Comments are requested by December 31, 2010.

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References:

- (a) DUSD A&T Memo - Publication of Procurement Data Standard, Phase I, July 21, 2008
- (b) DUSD A&T Memo – Publication of Procurement Data Standard, Phase II, July 31, 2009
- (c) ASD (A) Memo - Publication of the Purchase Request Data Standard for Contingency Operations, May 18, 2010