19.001 Definitions.

As used in this part-

*Concern* means any business entity organized for profit (even if its ownership is in the hands of a nonprofit entity) with a place of business located in the United States or its outlying areas and that makes a significant contribution to the U.S. economy through payment of taxes and/or use of American products, material and/or labor, etc. "Concern" includes but is not limited to an individual, partnership, corporation, joint venture, association, or cooperative. For more information, see 13 CFR 121.105.

*Fair market price* means a price based on reasonable costs under normal competitive conditions and not on lowest possible cost (see 19.202-6).

*Industry* means all *concerns* primarily engaged in similar lines of activity, as listed and described in the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) manual.

*Similarly situated entity* means a first-tier subcontractor, including an independent contractor, that—

(1) Has the same small business program status as that which qualified the prime contractor for the award (*e.g.*, for a small business set-aside contract, any small business concern, without regard to socioeconomic status); and

(2) Is considered small for the size standard under the NAICS code the prime contractor assigned to the subcontract.

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