19.1307 Price evaluation preference for HUBZone small business concerns.

(a) The price evaluation preference for *HUBZone* small business *concerns shall* be used in *acquisitions* conducted using *full and open competition*. The preference *shall* not be used-

(1) Where price is not a selection factor so that a price evaluation preference would not be considered (*e.g.*, Architect/Engineer *acquisitions*);

(2) Where all fair and reasonable *offers* are accepted (e.g., the award of multiple award schedule contracts); or

(3) For the reserved portion of a *solicitation* for a *multiple-award contract* (see 19.503).

(b) The *contracting officer shall* give *offers* from *HUBZone* small business *concerns* a price evaluation preference by adding a factor of 10 percent to all *offers*, except-

(1) Offers from HUBZone small business concerns that have not waived the evaluation preference; or

(2) Otherwise successful offers from small business concerns.

(c) The factor of 10 percent *shall* be applied on a *line item* basis or to any group of items on which award *may* be made. Other evaluation factors, such as transportation costs or rent-free use of Government property, *shall* be added to the *offer* to establish the base *offer* before adding the factor of 10 percent.

(d) When the two highest rated *offerors* are a *HUBZone* small business *concern* and a large business, and the evaluated *offer* of the *HUBZone* small business *concern* is equal to the evaluated *offer* of the large business after considering the price evaluation preference, the *contracting officer shall* award the contract to the *HUBZone* small business *concern*.

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