8.1102 Presolicitation requirements.

(a) Except as specified in 8.1102(b), before preparing *solicitations* for *leasing* of *motor vehicles*, *contracting officers shall* obtain from the requiring activity a written certification that-

(1) The vehicles requested are of maximum fuel efficiency and minimum body size, engine size, and equipment (if any) necessary to fulfill operational needs, and meet prescribed fuel economy standards;

(2) The head of the requiring agency, or a designee, has certified that the requested passenger automobiles (sedans and station wagons) larger than Type IA, IB, or II (small, subcompact, or compact) are essential to the agency's mission;

(3) Internal approvals have been received; and

(4) The General Services Administration has advised that it cannot furnish the vehicles.

(b) With respect to requirements for *leasing motor vehicles* for a period of less than 60 days, the *contracting officer* need not obtain the certification specified in 8.1102(a)-

(1) If the requirement is for type 1 A, 1 B, or II vehicles, which are by definition fuel efficient; or

(2) If the requirement is for passenger vehicles larger than 1 A, 1 B, or II, and the agency has established procedures for advance approval, on a case-by-case basis, of such requirements.

(c) Generally, *solicitations shall* not be limited to current year production models. However, with the prior approval of the head of the *contracting office*, *solicitations may* be limited to current models on the basis of overall economy.

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