



CIVILIAN AGENCY ACQUISITION COUNCIL LETTER 2006-01

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MEMORANDUM FOR CIVILIAN AGENCIES OTHER THAN NASA

FROM: GERALD ZAFFOS
CHAIRPERSON
CIVILIAN AGENCY ACQUISITION COUNCIL (CAAC)

SUBJECT: Class Deviation from the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) implementing the use of the Department of Labor's Wage Determination On-Line (WDOL)

This CAAC letter serves as evidence of your consultation with the CAAC Chair as required by FAR 1.404 for a class deviation should your agency choose to issue a class deviation from Part 22 to allow the use of WDOL and the e98.

On August 26, 2005, the Department of Labor (DOL) published a final rule (effective September 26, 2005) amending regulations to fully implement the Wage Determinations OnLine (WDOL) website (<http://www.wdol.gov>). The website serves as the source for Federal contracting agencies to use when obtaining wage determinations issued by the DOL for service contracts subject to the Service Contract Act, and construction contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act and related statutes.

An amendment to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is in process and, upon publication, will revise the wage determination processes in the FAR to comply with the new DOL regulations.

Effectively immediately, agency contracting officers may use the website for the purposes of obtaining wage determinations for official contract actions. When no applicable wage determination exists, contracting officers may fill out an online e98 to obtain a wage determination for contracts subject to the Service Contract Act. For contracts subject to the Davis Bacon Act, contracting officers must fill out a paper SF 308 to request a wage decision.

Please refer to the attached e-mail dated November 16, 2005, from the Associate Administrator, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, for further instructions.

If you have any questions, please contact Kimberly Marshall at (202) 219-0986, or e-mail kimberly.marshall@gsa.gov.

-----Original Message-----

From: Chief Acquisition Officers Council [mailto:cao-council@listserv.gsa.gov] **On Behalf Of**
Council Support

Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2005 7:40

To: CAO-COUNCIL@listserv.gsa.gov

Subject: [CAOC] 2005 Alternative Dispute Resolution Awards in Acquisition [Resend]

This message is sent on behalf of Robert Burton, OMB.

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TO: Agency Chief Acquisition Officers and Agency Senior Procurement Executives

SUBJECT: Davis-Bacon Act and Service Contract Act Wage Determination and Related Statutes

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An amendment to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is in process and, upon publication, will revise the wage determination processes in the FAR to comply with the new DOL regulations.

Effective immediately, all agency contracting officers may use the website for the purposes of obtaining wage determinations for official contract actions and forego submitting the paper request to DOL.

For questions concerning this matter, contact Julie Basile at jbasile@omb.eop.gov or at 202-395-4821.

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