CLASS DEVIATION
DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
INCREASE IN MICROPURCHASE AND SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITION THRESHOLDS

Findings

1. The National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for 2018 (Public Law 115-91) (Sections 806 and 805 respectively) increased the micro-purchase threshold to $10,000 and the simplified acquisition threshold (SAT) to $250,000.

   Additionally, Section 217(b) of the NDAA for 2017 (Public Law 114-328) changed a portion of the micro-purchase threshold definition in FAR 2.101 to increase the micro-purchase threshold to the following:

   [f]or acquisitions of supplies or services from institutions of higher education (20 U.S.C 1001(a)) or related or affiliated nonprofit entities, or from nonprofit research organizations or independent research institutes –
   (i) $10,000; or
   (ii) A higher threshold, as determined appropriate by the head of the agency and consistent with clean audit findings under 31 U.S.C. chapter 75, Requirements for Single Audits; and internal institutional risk assessment; or State law.

2. The Civilian Agency Acquisition Council (CAAC) issued CAAC Letter 2018-02 on February 16, 2018, authorizing agencies to issue class deviations implementing these provisions pending publication of the formal amendment to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) via FAR case 2018-004.

3. CAAC letter 2018-02 constitutes consultation in accordance with FAR 1.404 with the Chair of the CAAC allowing agencies to authorize a class deviation to implement the changes.

Determination

It is hereby determined that a class deviation is appropriate to implement sections 805 and 806 of Pub. L. 115-91 and section 217(b) of Pub. L 114-328. This class deviation is effective upon the date of signature and will remain in effect until cancelled or until the new thresholds are incorporated into the FAR.

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