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(2) Agency heads may authorize personal service contracts for engineering and technical services provided on site at Defense locations to meet an unusual essential mission need. The authorization will be for an interim period only.

237.270 Acquisition of audit services.

(a) *General policy.*

(1) Departments and agencies shall not contract for audit services unless the cognizant DoD audit organization determines that expertise required to perform the audit is not available within the DoD audit organization, or temporary audit assistance is required to meet audit reporting requirements mandated by law or DoD regulation.

(2) DoDD 7600.2, Audit Policies, provides DoD audit policies.

(3) DoDI 7600.6, Audit of Nonappropriated Fund Instrumentalities and Related Activities, provides guidance to audit organizations for audits of nonappropriated fund organizations.

(4) DoD 7600.7-M, Internal Audit Manual, Chapter 20, provides policy and guidance to DoD audit organizations for the monitoring of audit services provided by non-Federal auditors.

(b) *Contract period.* Except in unusual circumstances, contracts for recurring audit services shall be awarded for a 1-year period with at least 2 option years.

(c) *Approvals.* Contracting officers shall not issue a solicitation for audit services unless the requiring activity provides evidence that the cognizant DoD audit organization has approved the statement of work. The requiring agency shall obtain the same evidence of approval for subsequent material changes to the statement of work.

(d) *Solicitation provisions and contract clauses.*

(1) Use the provision of 252.237-7000, Notice of Special Standards of Responsibility, in solicitations for audit services.

(2) Use the clause at 252.237-7001, Compliance with Audit Standards, in solicitations and contracts for audit services.

237.271 Management controls.

DoD procedures are in DoDD 4205.2, Acquiring and Managing Contracted Advisory and Assistance Services (CAAS).

237.272 Requesting activity responsibilities.

(b) On acquisitions for studies, the purchase request package must contain a signed statement from the technical officer responsible for the study stating that the Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC) and other information sources have been queried, that evidence of those queries are on file, and no existing scientific or technical report could fulfill the requirement.

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(c) The authority, without redelegation authority (see DoDD 4205.2), to approve the use of advisory and assistance services in contracts over \$50,000 is—

- (i) An SES manager;
- (ii) A general or flag officer;
- (iii) An officer in O-6 grade filling a general or flag officer level position; or
- (iv) An officer in O-6 grade who has subordinate SES personnel.