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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

46 CFR Part 401

[USCG–2002–11288]

RIN 1625–AA38 [Formerly RIN 2115–AG30]

Rates for Pilotage on the Great Lakes

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Interim rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document contains corrections to the interim rule published in the **Federal Register** on March 10, 2005. The interim rule establishes new rates for pilotage on the Great Lakes.

DATES: Effective on March 29, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions on this correction document, call or e-mail Paul Wasserman, Director, Office of Great Lakes Pilotage (G–MW–1), U.S. Coast Guard, at telephone 202–267–2856, or pwasserman@comdt.uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Need for Correction

The interim rule, as published, contained incorrect column headings in two tables and an incorrect date. These errors could confuse the reader and need to be corrected.

Correction of Publication

■ Accordingly, the publication on March 10, 2005, of the interim rule [USCG–2002–11288], FR Doc. 05–4586, is corrected as follows:

■ 1. On page 12097, in the table entitled “District Three—Projected Rate of Return on Investment”, change the column heading “Total district” to read “Total district three”.

■ 2. On page 12098, in the table entitled “District Three—Adjustment Determination”, change the column heading “Total district” to read “Total district three”.

■ 3. On page 12100, in column one, in line 16 under “Regulatory Evaluation”, change the words “March 1, 2005” to read “April 11, 2005”.

Dated: March 21, 2005.

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Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, DHS.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Part 501

[GSAR Amendment 2005–01; GSAR Case 2004–G508 (Change 14)]

RIN 3090–AI07

General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Deviations

AGENCIES: General Services Administration (GSA), Office of the Chief Acquisition Officer.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The General Services Administration (GSA) is amending the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (GSAR) by issuing a final rule to modify existing policy on obtaining deviations from both the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and GSAR. This final rule will include revised procedures for obtaining deviations and will clarify the term “class deviation,” and add clarification regarding the term “contract action”.

DATES: *Effective Date:* March 29, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT The Regulatory Secretariat (VIR), Room 4035, GS Building, Washington, DC, 20405, (202) 501–4755, for information pertaining to status or publication schedules. For clarification of content, contact Mr. Ernest Woodson, Procurement Analyst, at (202) 501–3775. Please cite Amendment 2005–01, GSAR case 2004–G508 (Change 14).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

The FAR prescribes policies and procedures for authorizing deviations from the FAR when necessary to meet the specific needs and requirements of an agency unless precluded by law, executive order, or regulation. FAR 1.402 provides that the development and testing of new techniques and methods of acquisition should not be stifled simply because such actions would require a FAR deviation. However, deviations to the FAR and the GSAR have raised questions indicating the need to increase the involvement of the Office of the Chief Acquisition Officer. Therefore, this final rule modifies GSAR 501.403 and 501.404 to include revised procedures for obtaining

deviations and clarify the term “class deviation,” and adds GSAR 501.404–70 to clarify the term “contract action.”

This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under Section 6(b) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act does not apply to this rule. This final rule does not constitute a significant FAR revision within the meaning of FAR 1.501 and Public Law 98–577, and publication for public comments is not required. However, GSA will consider comments from small entities concerning the affected GSAR Subpart 501.4 in accordance with 5 USC. 610. Interested parties must submit such comments separately and should cite 5 U.S.C. 601, et. seq. (GSAR case 2004–G508), in correspondence.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the changes to the GSAR do not impose recordkeeping or information collection requirements, or otherwise collect information from offerors, contractors, or members of the public that require approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C.3501, et seq.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 501

Government procurement.

Dated: March 22, 2005.

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Senior Procurement Executive, Office of the Chief Acquisition Officer, General Services Administration.

■ Therefore, GSA amends 48 CFR part 501 as set forth below:

PART 501—GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION ACQUISITION REGULATION SYSTEM

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR part 501 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 40 U.S.C. 121(c).

■ 2. Amend section 501.403 by revising paragraphs (a) and (c) to read as follows:

501.403 Individual deviations.

(a) An individual deviation affects only one contract action.

(1) The Head of the Contracting Activity (HCA) must approve an individual deviation to the FAR. The authority to grant an individual deviation may not be re-delegated. A copy of the deviation must be provided to GSA’s Senior Procurement Executive (SPE).