

POLICY FLASH 2010-61

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TO: Procurement Directors

FROM: Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, MA-61
Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT: Revised DOE Acquisition Guide Chapter 71.1 Headquarters Business Clearance Process

SUMMARY: There was mention in the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) report titled "Managing at the Speed of Light - Improving Mission Support Performance" that Departmental procurement personnel don't understand the Business Clearance (BC) process. In an effort to address this issue, each Procurement Director (PD) and Head of Contracting Activity (HCA) was ask to review Acquisition Guide Chapter 71.1 Headquarters Business Clearance Process and identify anything that was unclear, as well as recommend changes or ideas which could improve Acquisition Guide Chapter 71.1 and the understanding of the Business Clearance process. Attached is the revised Acquisition Guide Chapter 71.1 (May 2010) which reflects the comments and suggestions received.

In addition to the aforementioned, a new section titled "Streamlined BCR Process for Post Award Actions" has been added. It establishes procedures for expedited reviews of pre-negotiation memorandums for post award actions.

This Flash and its attachments will be available online within a day, at the following website: http://www.management.energy.gov/policy_guidance/policy_flashes.htm.

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Attachment