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Item I--Biobased Procurements (FAR Case 2010-004)

This final rule amends the FAR to implement changes that require contractors to report the biobased products purchased under service and construction contracts. The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act (7 U.S.C. 8102) requires agencies to report this information to the Office of Federal Procurement Policy. This reporting will enable agencies to monitor compliance with the Federal preference for purchasing biobased products. Contractors may need to create an inventory management system to track the biobased products purchased for each contract. However, this rule may enhance small business biobased product suppliers' participation in this market.

Item II--Representation Regarding Export of Sensitive Technology to Iran (FAR Case 2010-018)

This final rule adopts, with minor changes, an interim rule which added a representation to implement section 106 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010. Section 106 imposes a procurement prohibition relating to contracts with persons that export certain sensitive technology to Iran. This rule has no significant impact on small business concerns.

Item III--Justification and Approval of Sole-Source 8(a) Contracts (FAR Case 2009-038)

This rule adopts as final, without change, an interim rule published in the Federal Register at 76 FR 14559 on March 16, 2011, which implemented section 811 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Pub. L. 111-84). Section 811 prohibits the award of a sole-source contract in an amount over \$20 million under the 8(a) program authority (15 U.S.C. 637(a)) without first obtaining a written Justification and Approval (J&A) approved by an appropriate official, and making public the J&A and related information. This internal Government requirement for the development and approval of a sole-source J&A for 8(a) sole-source awards over \$20 million neither prohibits such awards nor increases the qualifications required of 8(a) firms.

Item IV--Technical Amendments

Editorial changes are made at FAR 1.201-1, 52.212-5, and 52.219-28.