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SUBJECT: Class Deviation – Extension of Authority for Use of Simplified Acquisition Procedures for Certain Commercial Items

The attached Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy (DPAP) memorandum (same subject, dated January 15, 2013) provides the class deviation effecting section 822 of the National Defense Authorization Act of FY13 which extends the previously expired authority under Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 13.5 - Test Program for Certain Commercial Items until January 15, 2015.

The class deviation is effective immediately and remains in effect until incorporated into the FAR or is otherwise rescinded.

My point of contact for this deviation is Denise Randolph. She can be reached on (703) 614-9767 or via Denise.Randolph@navy.mil.

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SUBJECT: Class Deviation—Extension of Authority for Use of Simplified Acquisition Procedures for Certain Commercial Items

Effective immediately, contracting officers shall use the attached deviation from Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 13.5, Test Program for Certain Commercial Items.

Currently, FAR 13.500(d) indicates that the authority to issue solicitations under subpart 13.5 expired on January 1, 2012. However, section 822 of the National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2013 extends that authority to January 1, 2015.

This class deviation is effective until it is incorporated in the FAR or is otherwise rescinded. My point of contact is Ms. Heather Kitchens, who may be reached at 571-372-6097, or heather.kitchens@osd.mil.

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Subpart 13.5—Test Program for Certain Commercial Items

13.500 General.

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(d) The authority to issue solicitations under this subpart expires on January 1, 2012**[5]**. Contracting officers may award contracts after the expiration of this authority for solicitations issued before the expiration of the authority.

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