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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Release of Procurement Data Standard (PDS) Version 2.4

The attached Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition memorandum of January 23, 2013 announces the release of PDS version 2.4. The new version is available at http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/eb/procurement_data_standard.html

DPAP requests each Component's Contract Writing Capability to plan to implement PDS Version 2.4 by December 31, 2013 and submit implementation schedules to DPAP by February 28, 2013. To allow coordination of a consolidated Navy implementation schedule, please submit your organization's implementation plan to the contact listed below by February 25, 2013.

My point of contact for the PDS initiative is Ms. Katrin Dilli, katrin.dilli@navy.mil or 703-614-9619.

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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE)
COMMANDER, UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE)
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References: (a) USD(AT&L) Memorandum, "Standard Procurement System Deployment Requirement and Initial DoD Procurement Data Strategy," July 5, 2007
(b) DUSD(A&T) Memorandum, "Publication of the Procurement Data Standard (PDS), Phase I," July 21, 2008
(c) DPAP Memorandum, "Publication of the Procurement Data Standard (PDS), Phase II," July 28, 2009
(d) DPAP Memorandum, "Contract Line Item Pricing Integrity," October 3, 2011

The Procurement Data Standard (PDS) provides the required data structure for distributing contract actions in accordance with Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation (DFARS) 204.201. Phase I, published July 21, 2008 (reference(b)), covered new contracts and orders. Phase II, published July 28, 2009 (reference (c)), established a method for communicating data on contract modifications and addressed issues discovered during Phase I implementation.

This memorandum is to notify you that PDS Version 2.4 is now available at the Program Development and Implementation (PDI) webpage: [http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/eb/procurement_data_standard.html].

PDS Version 2.4 enables Components to send Construction and Architecture and Engineering (A&E) contracts, along with other enhancements. The other enhancements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Removal of Lump Sum and Dollars as Units of Measurement in accordance with reference (d);
- Addition of Delivery Lead Time Events;
- Addition of Women-Owned Business Types in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Case 2010-015;
- Deletion of the separate payment instruction section as a result of DFARS Case PGI 2009-P003; and

- Expansion of acceptable Data Format Types for attachments.

For a complete listing of all enhancements, the PDS Version 2.4 Change Log is available at the link provided above.

Each Component's Contract Writing Capability should plan to implement PDS Version 2.4 by December 31, 2013. Submit implementation schedules to the DPAP/PDI group inbox (DPAP_PDI@osd.mil) by February 28, 2013. Implementation schedules should include the current release schedule for each applicable Contract Writing Capability and any planned Engineering Change Proposals (ECPs).

Questions and comments may be directed to my action officer, Mr. Bruce Propert, bruce.propert@osd.mil or 703-697-4384.

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