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Encl: (1) NMCARS Change 03-8

The changes identified in Enclosure (1) are hereby incorporated into the November 2003 NMCARS.

These changes are effective immediately and will be reflected in the NMCARS online. The point of contact for NMCARS is Katherine Petersen at (703) 614-9641.

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The following changes are hereby incorporated into the November 2003 NMCARS:

1. Subpart 5201.6 CAREER DEVELOPMENT, CONTRACTING AUTHORITY, AND RESPONSIBILITIES is revised to add 5201.690 Requirements to be met before entering into contracts, as follows:

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   For all procurement actions subject to business clearance requirements, HCAs must establish business clearance approval levels that are at least one level above the individual responsible for conducting the negotiations or, if negotiations are not required, for handling the proposed action.

2. Subpart 5215.3 SOURCE SELECTION is revised to add 5215.398 Source selection decision, as follows:

   5215.398 Source selection decision.

   Advisory bodies, such as Source Selection Advisory Councils, must make a recommendation to the Source Selection Authority and the recommendation shall be in writing.