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References: (a) DFARS 252.211-7003, "Item Identification and Valuation," August 2008
(b) DFARS 252.211-7007, "Reporting of Government-Furnished Equipment in the DoD Item Unique Identification (IUID) Registry," November 2008
(c) DFARS 252.245-7001, "Tagging, Labeling, and Marking of Government-Furnished Property," February 2011
(d) DoDI 8320.04, "Item Unique Identification (IUID) Standards for Tangible Personal Property," June 16, 2008
(e) "Item Unique Identification (IUID) of Tangible Personal Property - Policy Refinement for Secondary Items in Use or in Inventory," December 30, 2010
(f) SECNAVINST 4440.34, "Implementation of Item Unique Identification (IUID) in the Department of Navy," December 22, 2009
(g) DoDI 5000.02, "Operation of the Defense Acquisition System," December 8, 2008
(i) DoDD 4151.19, "Serialized Item Management (SIM) for Materiel Maintenance," December 26, 2006

The Department of Defense mandated that acquisition activities include the IUID DFARS clauses, references (a) through (c), established pursuant to references (d) and (e). The requirement for use of IUID throughout the lifecycle is further amplified in references (f) through (j). The Department of Navy has achieved 96% compliance on including the DFARS clauses in our contracts. Statistical sampling by the OSD Office of the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy (DPAP) indicates the DFARS clauses are not being fully executed based on the reporting of items in the IUID
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Registry. Additionally, we have received anecdotal reports of programs bypassing implementation of the requirement.

Your leadership is critical to ensure full compliance with DFARS requirements and acquisition policy by including appropriate contract language and ensuring delivery of the requirements. Program Managers shall ensure implementation of IUID requirements through the entire acquisition process, addressing: 1) a Statement of Work that includes appropriate Contract Data Requirements List (CDRL), Data Item Descriptions (DID), and requests for Engineering technical data for IUID marks on special items or for special operational environments; 2) a complete list of items to be marked and registered in accordance with references (d) and (e); 3) accurate registration of the Unique Item Identifiers (UII) and associated data in the national DoD IUID Registry in accordance with references (a) and (b); and 4) inclusion of IUID data use and sustainment in the Systems Engineering Plan and Supportability Planning, as required by references (f) and (g).

Please ensure that all members of your staff are aware of the policies and procedures set forth in the referenced documents. My point of contact for this matter is Ms. Mindy Rash-Gehres at mindy.rash-gehres@navy.mil or 703-614-8000.

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