Secretary of Defense under 217.172(h)(2) (10 U.S.C. 2306b(m)).

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Chapter 2

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Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Appendix F—Energy Receiving Reports (DFARS Case 2014–D024)

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD is issuing a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to identify the Wide Area WorkFlow Energy Receiving Report as the electronic equivalent of the DD Form 250, Material Inspection and Receiving Report, for overland shipments and the DD Form 250–1, Tanker/Barge Material Inspection And Receiving Report, for waterborne shipments.

DATES: Effective May 26, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Johnson, telephone 571–372–6176.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

DoD published a proposed rule in the Federal Register at 79 FR 73539 on December 11, 2014, to amend Appendix F of the DFARS to identify the Wide Area WorkFlow Energy Receiving Report as the electronic equivalent of the paper DD Form 250 for overland shipments and the DD Form 250–1 for waterborne shipments. DFARS 232.7002, Policy, requires contractors to submit payment and receiving reports in electronic form, and the accepted electronic form is WAWF. DFARS 232.7003, Procedures, identifies WAWF as the accepted electronic form. In addition, the clause at DFARS 252.232–7003, Electronic Submission of Payment Requests and Receiving Reports, requires payment requests and receiving reports using WAWF in nearly all cases.

II. Discussion and Analysis

There were no public comments submitted in response to the proposed rule. No changes have been made from the proposed rule.

III. Executive Orders 12866 and 13563

Executive Orders (E.O.s) 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). E.O. 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under section 6(b) of E.O. 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

IV. Regulatory Flexibility Act

A final regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared consistent with the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, et seq., and is summarized as follows:

This rule amends the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Appendix F to identify the Wide Area WorkFlow (WAWF) Energy Receiving Report as the electronic equivalent of the DD Form 250, Material Inspection and Receiving Report, for overland shipments and the DD Form 250–1, Tanker/Barge Material Inspection and Receiving Report, for waterborne shipments.

DFARS 232.7002, Policy, requires contractors to submit payment and receiving reports in electronic form, and the accepted electronic form is WAWF. DFARS 232.7003, Procedures, identifies WAWF as the accepted electronic form. In addition, the clause at DFARS 252.232–7003, Electronic Submission of Payment Requests and Receiving Reports, requires payment requests and receiving reports using WAWF in nearly all cases.

No comments were received from the public regarding the initial regulatory flexibility analysis.

DoD does not expect this rule to have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, et seq. The rule affects all DoD contractors who are not exempt from using WAWF. Exempt classes of contracts are those that are listed under the seven categories of contracts at DFARS 232.7002, Policy. The projected recordkeeping is limited to that required to properly record shipping and receiving information under Government contracts. Preparation of these records requires clerical and analytical skills to create the documents and input them into the electronic WAWF system.

There is no significant economic impact on small entities.

V. Paperwork Reduction Act

The rule contains information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C chapter 35). However, these changes to the DFARS do not impose additional information collection requirements to the paperwork burden previously approved under OMB Control Number 0704–0248, entitled Material Inspection and Receiving Report.

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Government procurement.

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Therefore, 48 CFR chapter 2, subchapter I, is amended in Appendix F as follows:

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1. The authority citation for appendix F to chapter 2 continues to read as follows:


2. Amend appendix F to chapter 2 by:

a. In section F–101, revising paragraph (a) and the first sentence of paragraph (b);

b. In section F–103, revising paragraph (d) introductory text;

c. In section F–104, revising paragraph (b) introductory text;

d. Revising the part 3 heading; and

e. In section F–301, revising paragraph (b)(13).

The revisions read as follows:

Appendix F to Chapter 2—Material Inspection and Inspection and Receiving Report

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Part 1—Introduction

F–101 General.

(a) This appendix contains procedures and instructions for the use, preparation, and distribution of the Wide Area WorkFlow (WAWF) Receiving Report, the WAWF Energy RR, and commercial shipping/packing lists used to document Government contract quality assurance. The WAWF RR is the electronic equivalent of the DD Form 250, Material Inspection and Receiving Report
AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final direct rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is issuing a direct final rule to address administrative and minor non-substantive changes in four clauses. The direct final rule updates “Monthly Progress Reports”, “Working Files”, “Final Reports”, and “Management Consulting Services”. EPA does not anticipate any adverse comments.

DATES: This rule is effective on July 27, 2015 without further notice, unless adverse comment is received June 25, 2015. If adverse comment is received, the EPA will publish a timely withdrawal of the rule in the Federal Register.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OARM–2013–0523 by one of the following methods:
- www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Email: docket.oei@epa.gov.
- Fax: [202] 566–1753.
- Hand Delivery: EPA Docket Center—Attention OEI Docket, EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20004. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OARM–2013–0523. EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through http://www.regulations.gov or email. The http://www.regulations.gov Web site is an “anonymous access” system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through http://www.regulations.gov your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD–ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment.

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