is certified as not having a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.); does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4); does not have Federalism implications as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999); is not an economically significant regulatory action based on health or safety risks subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997); is not a significant regulatory action subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001); is not subject to requirements of Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the CAA; and does not provide EPA with the discretionary authority to address, as appropriate, disproportionate human health or environmental effects, using practicable and legally permissible methods, under Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

In addition, this proposed rule is not approved to apply on any Indian reservation land or in any other area where EPA or an Indian tribe has demonstrated that a tribe has jurisdiction. In those areas of Indian country, the rule does not have tribal implications and will not impose substantial direct costs on tribal governments or preempt tribal law as specified in Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 62
Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Air pollution control, Intergovernmental relations, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sulfur oxides, waste treatment and disposal.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

48 CFR Parts 232, 242, and 252
[Docket DARS–2018–0042]

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Performance-Based Payments and Progress Payments (DFARS Case 2017–D019)

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

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of registration deadline for public meeting.

SUMMARY: For the public meeting to be held on September 14, 2018, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., EST, regarding the proposed rule published in the Federal Register on August 24, 2018, at 83 FR 42831, the registration deadline is extended from September 6, 2018, to September 11, 2018, at 12 p.m., EST.

DATES: Comment Date: Comments on the proposed rule should be submitted in writing to the address shown below on or before October 23, 2018, to be considered in the formation of a final rule.

Public Meeting Date: The public meeting will be held on September 14, 2018, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., EST. Registration to attend this meeting must be received by September 11, 2018, at 12 p.m., EST. Further information for the public meeting may be found under the heading SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: Public Meeting: The public meeting will be held at the Mark Center Auditorium, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22350–3603. The Mark Center Auditorium is located on level B–1 of the building.

Submission of Comments: Submit comments identified by DFARS Case 2017–D019, using any of the following methods:


○ Email: osd.dfars@mail.mil. Include DFARS Case 2017–D019 in the subject line of the message.

○ Fax: 571–372–6094.


Comments received generally will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check www.regulations.gov, approximately two to three days after submission to verify posting (except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, DPC/DFARS, at 571–372–6106.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On August 24, 2018, DoD published a proposed rule in the Federal Register on August 24, 2018 (83 FR 42831) to implement section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017, which addresses the preference for performance-based payments, and to streamline the performance-based payment process. DoD is also proposing to amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement to revise progress payments and performance-based payments policies for DoD contracts in order to increase its business effectiveness and efficiency as well as to provide an opportunity for both small and other than small entities to qualify for increased customary progress payment rates and maximum performance-based payment rates based on whether the offeror/contractor has met certain performance criteria.

II. Public Meeting

DoD is hosting a public meeting on September 14, 2018, to obtain views of experts and interested parties in Government and the private sector regarding revising policies and procedures with regard to customary progress payment rates and maximum performance-based payment rates for DoD contracts.

Registration: Individuals wishing to attend the public meeting must register by 12 p.m., EST, on September 11, 2018, to ensure adequate room accommodations and to facilitate security screening and entry to the Mark Center. Individuals desiring to attend the meeting, who have not yet registered, should send the following information via email to osd.dfars@mail.mil:

(1) Company or organization name.
(2) Full name, valid email address, and telephone number of each person planning to attend, and whether the individual is a U.S. citizen.
(3) Name, title, organizational affiliation of presenter, if desiring to make a presentation, limited to a 5-minute presentation per company or organization. This limitation may be subject to adjustment, depending on the number of entities requesting to present, in order to ensure adequate time for discussion.

Building Entry: For each registrant, the Pentagon Force Protection Agency will send additional instructions to the email address provided at the time of registration. The registrant must follow the instructions in the email in order to be approved for entry to the Mark Center.

One valid government-issued photo identification card (i.e., driver’s license or passport) will be required in order to enter the building.

Attendees are encouraged to arrive at least 45 minutes early to accommodate security procedures. Public parking is not available at the Mark Center.

Presentations: If you wish to make a presentation, please submit an electronic copy of your presentation to osd.dfars@mail.mil no later than September 10, 2018. When submitting presentations, provide presenter’s name, organization affiliation, telephone number, and email address on the cover page. Please submit presentations only and cite “Public Meeting, DFARS Case 2017–D019” in all correspondence related to this public meeting. The submitted presentations will be the only record of the public meeting.

Correspondence and Comments: Please cite “Public Meeting, DFARS Case 2017–D019” in all correspondence related to this public meeting. To have a presentation considered as a public comment for the formation of the final rule, the presentation, or pertinent excerpts, must be submitted separately as a written comment as instructed in the paragraph titled “Submission of Comments” in ADDRESSES.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 232, 242, and 252

Government procurement.

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