32.703-2 Contracts conditioned upon availability of funds.

(a) Fiscal year contracts. The contracting officer may initiate a contract action properly chargeable to funds of the new fiscal year before these funds are available, provided that the contract includes the clause at 52.232-18, Availability of Funds (see 32.706-1(a)). This authority may be used only for operation and maintenance and continuing services (*e.g.*, rentals, utilities, and supply items not financed by stock funds)-

(1) Necessary for normal operations; and

(2) For which Congress previously had consistently appropriated funds, unless specific statutory authority exists permitting applicability to other requirements.

(b) *Indefinite-quantity or requirements contracts.* A one-year indefinite-quantity or requirements contract for services that is funded by annual appropriations *may* extend beyond the fiscal year in which it begins; provided, that-

(1) Any specified minimum quantities are certain to be ordered in the initial fiscal year (see $\underline{37.106}$) and

(2) The contract includes the clause at 52.232-19, Availability of Funds for the Next Fiscal Year (see 32.706-1(b)).

(c) Acceptance of supplies or services. The Government shall not accept supplies or services under a contract conditioned upon the availability of funds until the *contracting officer* has given the contractor notice, to be confirmed *in writing*, that funds are available.

Parent topic: <u>32.703 Contract funding requirements.</u>