

252.215-7016 Notification to Offerors—Postaward Debriefings.

As prescribed in 215.570, use the following provision:

NOTIFICATION TO OFFERORS—POSTAWARD DEBRIEFINGS (OCT 2025)

(a) Definition. As used in this provision—

" *Nontraditional defense contractor* " means an entity that is not currently performing and has not performed any contract or subcontract for DoD that is subject to full coverage under the cost accounting standards prescribed pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 1502 and the regulations implementing such section, for at least the 1-year period preceding the solicitation of sources by DoD for the procurement (10 U.S.C. 3014).

(b) Postaward debriefing.

(1) Upon timely request, the Government will provide a written or oral postaward debriefing to successful or unsuccessful offerors for contract awards valued at \$15 million or more, while protecting the confidential and proprietary information of other offerors. The request is considered timely if received within 3 days of notification of contract award.

(2) When required, the minimum postaward debriefing information will include the following:

(i) For contracts in excess of \$15 million and not in excess of \$150 million with a small business or nontraditional defense contractor, an option for the small business or nontraditional defense contractor to request disclosure of the agency's written source selection decision document, redacted to protect the confidential and proprietary information of other offerors for the contract award.

(ii) For contracts in excess of \$150 million, disclosure of the agency's written source selection decision document, redacted to protect the confidential and proprietary information of other offerors for the contract award.

(3) If a required postaward debriefing is provided—

(i) The debriefed Offeror may submit additional written questions related to the debriefing not later than 2 business days after the date of the debriefing;

(ii) The agency will respond in writing to timely submitted additional questions within 5 business days after receipt by the contracting officer; and

(iii) The postaward debriefing will not be considered to be concluded until the later of—

(A) The date that the postaward debriefing is delivered, orally or in writing; or

(B) If additional written questions related to the debriefing are timely received, the date the agency delivers its written response.

(c) Contract performance. The Government may suspend performance of or terminate the awarded

contract upon notice from the Government Accountability Office of a protest filed within the time periods listed in paragraphs (c)(1) through (3) of this provision, whichever is later:

(1) Within 10 days after the date of contract award.

(2) Within 5 days after a debriefing date offered to the protestor under a timely debriefing request in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) [15.506](#) unless an earlier debriefing date is negotiated as a result.

(3) Within 5 days after a postaward debriefing under FAR [15.506](#) is concluded in accordance with Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement [215.506-70](#) (b).

(End of provision)

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