

Federal Election Commission (FEC)

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SUBJECT: Federal Acquisition Regulation Class Deviation to implement changes to the Micro Purchase Threshold and Simplified Acquisition Threshold. Class Deviation from the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) increasing the micro-purchase threshold to \$10,000 and the simplified acquisition threshold to \$250,000

Findings:

- 1. The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (NDAA FY18) (Public Law 115-91) (Sections 806 and 805 respectively) increased the micro-purchase threshold to \$10,000 and the simplified acquisition threshold (SAT) to \$250,000.
- 2. FAR Case 2018-004 has been opened to implement the appropriate statutory changes in the FAR that are compelled by sections 805 and 806 of the NDAA FY 18. However, agencies, such as FEC, have need to use the increased threshold prior to publication of the FAR changes.
- 3. The Civilian Agency Acquisition Council (CAAC) issued CAAC Letter 2018-02 on February 16, 2018, authorizing covered agencies to authorize the issuance of a Class Deviation to increase the micro-purchase threshold to \$10,000 and the simplified acquisition threshold to \$250,000.
- 4. CAAC Letter 2018-02 states that it serves as CAAC consult required of the agency official approving the class deviation in accordance with FAR 1.404(a)(1).

Determination:

In accordance with FAR 1.404, FEC Contracts Operating Procedure, Civilian Agency Acquisition Council (CAAC) letter 2018-02 dated February 16, 2018, and Section 806 and 705 of the NDAA for FY 2018, Public Law 115-91 and pending FAR Case 2018-0004 the deviation included as Attachment A in CAAC letter 2018-02 (FAR 2.101, 13.003, 13.501, 19.203, 19.502-1, 19.502-2, 19.508, 52.203-16, 52.212-1, 52.219-9, and 52.219-9 Alternate IV) is approved for use by all FEC Contracting Officers until final implementation of FAR case 2018-0004.

In addition, per FEC Contract policy thresholds, Charge Card Management Policy and the micro-purchase threshold definition are hereby revised to \$10,000 in accordance with this class deviation for charge card purchases to allow for use of the revised micro-purchase threshold stated in this deviation and to increase administrative efficiency.

ATTACHMENTS CAAC Letter 2018-002