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TO: Procurement Directors

FROM: Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, MA-61
Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT: Performance-Based Acquisitions

SUMMARY: This Flash disseminates the attached memorandum from the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP), titled “Using Performance-Based Acquisition to Meet Program Needs - Performance Goals, Guidance and Training.”

The OFPP memorandum describes recent Government-wide initiatives intended to increase and improve the use of Performance-Based Acquisition (PBA) practices, and includes a discussion of revised performance goals, available PBA guidance, and continuing PBA training opportunities. The OFPP is also coordinating a Government-wide PBA Working Group which DOE actively participates in, responsible for implementing recommendations from the Acquisition Advisory Panel established under the Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003. The Panel has immediate goals to update and enhance existing OFPP PBA Guidance. The attached memorandum includes a link to the PBA Working Group’s website for further information.

Although DOE has consistently surpassed the Government-wide goals for PBA contracting in the recent past (e.g., in FY 06, DOE awarded 71% of its eligible contract dollars as PBA acquisitions), Contracting Officers are reminded to continue to maximize the use of PBA contracting, and to follow proper policies and procedures as highlighted in federal and DOE regulations and procedures.

Please refer to Acquisition Guide Chapter 37.2 – Performance Based Service Acquisition, and Acquisition Letter 2005-13, Performance-based Service Acquisition.

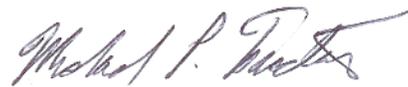
The DOE Procurement Policy website includes a PBA Toolkit and other useful links at:

http://www.management.energy.gov/policy_guidance/procurement_acquisition.htm

This Flash 2007-41 will be available online within a day, at the following website:

http://www.management.energy.gov/policy_guidance/policy_flashes.htm .

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