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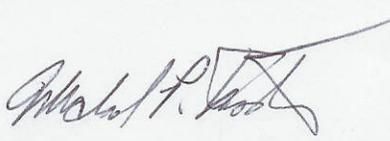
**FROM:** Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, MA-61  
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**SUBJECT:** Revisions to Acquisition Guide Chapter 33.1, Protests

Attached is Department of Energy Acquisition Guide Chapter 33.1, "*Protests*" which has been revised to establish procedures for processing Agency Protests to allow DOE Contracting Activities to effectively plan for and facilitate the review and approval by either the Head of the Contracting Activity or the Senior Procurement Executive. It should be noted that the revisions made to this Acquisition Guide Chapter will result in a temporary inconsistency with the Department of Energy Acquisition Regulation (DEAR) regarding the timeframes for the agency report to be submitted to the Office of Contract Management. The Department is in the process of issuing a technical amendment to the DEAR which addresses this inconsistency. It is expected that the amendment will be issued in November.

This Policy Flash may be viewed at  
[http://management.energy.gov/policy\\_guidance/policy\\_flashes.htm](http://management.energy.gov/policy_guidance/policy_flashes.htm).

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