

CONTENT OF FEDERAL ACQUISITION CIRCULAR 2005-033

Item I – Trade Agreements – Costa Rica, Oman, and Peru (FAR Case 2008-036)

This interim rule allows contracting officers to purchase the goods and services of Costa Rica, Oman, and Peru without application of the Buy American Act if the acquisition is subject to the applicable trade agreements. The free trade agreements with Costa Rica, Oman, and Peru join the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the Australia, Bahrain, Chile, Morocco, and Singapore Free Trade Agreements, and the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR) with respect to the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, which are already in the FAR. The threshold for supplies and services is \$67,826 for the CAFTA-DR and \$194,000 for the Oman and Peru Free Trade Agreements. The threshold for construction is \$7,443,000 for the CAFTA-DR and the Peru Free Trade Agreement and \$8,817,449 for the Oman Free Trade Agreement.

Item II – Contractor’s Request for Progress Payments (FAR Case 2005-032)

This final rule converts the proposed rule published at 73 FR 19035 on April 8, 2008, to a final rule with one editorial change. This final rule incorporates improvements related to requests for progress payments and the Standard Form (SF) 1443, Contractor’s Request for Progress Payments, used to request those progress payments.