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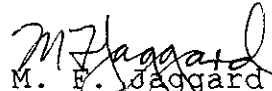
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Ref: (a) DFARS 204.7103-1(a)(4)(i)

The Department of Defense and the Defense Finance and Accounting Service have requested that the Military Departments and Defense Agencies be more diligent in complying with the requirements of reference (a). Pursuant to reference (a), with the exception of a few limited circumstances, each contract line item must reference a single accounting classification citation. Compliance with this requirement is critical, particularly as the Department moves to an end-to-end paperless environment.

Additionally, after the Defense Procurement Payment System (DPPS) is implemented, we understand that the automated system will not have the capability to process payments to contractors under those contracts that do not conform to the requirements of reference (a). This situation will cause delays in contractors' receipt of payments and may increase costs to the Department of the Navy. Further, as you know, our Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) initiatives must be designed to interface with existing and/or planned DoD standard systems, including the Standard Procurement System and DPPS. Therefore, it is vital that our ERP initiatives be designed to comply with DoD requirements, including those listed in reference (a). To do otherwise may have adverse effects on our ability to meet mission requirements.

Please reiterate the significance of complying with reference (a) to cognizant acquisition personnel.


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