52.213-1 Fast Payment Procedure.

As prescribed in 13.404, insert the following clause:

Fast Payment Procedure (May 2006)

- (a) *General*. The Government will pay *invoices* based on the Contractor's delivery to a post office or common carrier (or, if shipped by other means, to the point of first receipt by the Government).
- (b) Responsibility for *supplies*.
- (1) Titleto the *supplies* passes to the Government upon delivery to-
- (i) A post office or common carrier for shipment to the specific destination; or
- (ii) The point of first receipt by the Government, if *shipment* is by means other than Postal Service or common carrier.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of the contract, order, or blanket purchase agreement, the Contractor *shall-*
- (i) Assume all responsibility and risk of loss for *supplies* not received at destination, damaged in transit, or not conforming to purchase requirements; and
- (ii) Replace, repair, or correct those *supplies* promptly at the Contractor's expense, if instructed to do so by the *Contracting Officer* within 180 days from the date title to the *supplies* vests in the Government.
- (c) Preparation of invoice.
- (1) Upon delivery to a post office or common carrier (or, if shipped by other means, the point of first receipt by the Government), the Contractor *shall-*
- (i) Prepare an *invoice* as provided in this contract, order, or blanket purchase agreement; and
- (ii) Display prominently on the *invoice* "FAST PAY." *Invoices* not prominently marked "FAST PAY" via manual or electronic means *may* be accepted by the payment office for fast payment. If the payment office declines to make fast payment, the Contractor *shall* be paid in accordance with procedures applicable to *invoices* to which the Fast Payment clause does not apply.
- (2) If the purchase price excludes the cost of transportation, the Contractor *shall* enter the prepaid shipping cost on the *invoice* as a separate item. The Contractor *shall* not include the cost of parcel post *insurance*. If transportation charges are stated separately on the *invoice*, the Contractor *shall* retain related paid *freight* bills or other transportation billings paid separately for a period of 3 years and *shall* furnish the bills to the Government upon request.
- (3) If this contract, order, or blanket purchase agreement requires the preparation of a *receiving report*, the Contractor *shall* either-
- (i) Submit the receiving report on the prescribed form with the invoice; or

- (ii) Include the following information on the *invoice*:
- (A) Shipment number.
- (B) Mode of shipment.
- (C) At line item level-
- (1) National stock number and/or manufacturer's part number;
- (2) Unit of measure;
- (3) Ship-To Point;
- (4) Mark-For Point, if in the contract; and
- (5) FEDSTRIP/MILSTRIP document number, if in the contract.
- (4) If this contract, order, or blanket purchase agreement does not require preparation of a *receiving report* on a prescribed form, the Contractor *shall* include on the *invoice* the following information at the *line item* level, in addition to that required in paragraph (c)(1) of this clause:
- (i) Ship-To Point.
- (ii) Mark-For Point.
- (iii) FEDSTRIP/MILSTRIP document number, if in the contract.
- (5) Where a *receiving report* is not required, the Contractor *shall* include a copy of the *invoice* in each *shipment*.
- (d) *Certification of invoice*. The Contractor certifies by submitting an *invoice* to the Government that the *supplies* being billed to the Government have been shipped or delivered in accordance with shipping instructions issued by the ordering officer, in the quantities shown on the *invoice*, and that the *supplies* are in the quantity and of the quality designated by the contract, order, or blanket purchase agreement.
- (e) FAST PAY container identification. The Contractorshall mark all outer shipping containers "FAST PAY" When outer shipping containers are not marked "FAST PAY," the payment office *may* make fast payment. If the payment office declines to make fast payment, the Contractor *shall* be paid in accordance with procedures applicable to *invoices* to which the Fast Payment clause does not apply.

(End of clause)

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