36.607 Release of information on firm selection.

(a) After final selection has taken place, the *contracting officer may* release information identifying only the architect-engineer firm with which a contract will be negotiated for certain work. The work *should* be described in any release only in general terms, unless information relating to the work is classified. If negotiations are terminated without awarding a contract to the highest rated firm, the *contracting officer may* release that information and state that negotiations will be undertaken with another (named) architect-engineer firm. When an award has been made, the *contracting officer may* release award information (see 5.401).

(b) Debriefings of successful and unsuccessful firms will be held after final selection has taken place and will be conducted, to the extent practicable, in accordance with 15.503, 15.506(b) through (f), and 15.507(c). Note that 15.506(d)(2) through (d)(5) do not apply to architect-engineer contracts.

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