

# 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) Title to 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 Contractor shall 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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