

# 13.501 Special documentation requirements.

(b) Contract file documentation.

(3) Contracting officers shall use the Market Research for Commerciality Determination Memorandum (MRCDM) format at [53.9013 Simplified acquisition procedures.\(b\)](#) to document the market research the procuring organization conducted to determine whether the product or service is commercial. Each procuring organization may add standardized supplemental information only by appending it at the end of the MRCDM format, in order to foster uniform presentation across the Agency. Contracting officers are encouraged, but are not required, to use the SAAD format at [53.9013 Simplified acquisition procedures.\(a\)](#) or Alternate SAAD format at [53.9013 Simplified acquisition procedures.\(c\)](#), as prescribed in [13.106-3 Award and documentation.\(b\)](#) and [15.406-1 Prenegotiation objectives.\(b\)\(1\)](#), in place of a PNM, to document the basis for award of actions valued within the thresholds at FAR 13.500(a).

**Parent topic:** [SUBPART 13.5 - Simplified Procedures for Certain Commercial Products and Commercial Services](#)