

§ 437. Incentives for efficient performance of services contracts

(a) Incentive for use of performance-based services contracts

A performance-based contract for the procurement of services entered into by an executive agency or a performance-based task order for services issued by an executive agency may be treated as a contract for the procurement of commercial items if—

- (1) the value of the contract or task order is estimated not to exceed \$25,000,000;
- (2) the contract or task order sets forth specifically each task to be performed and, for each task—
 - (A) defines the task in measurable, mission-related terms;
 - (B) identifies the specific end products or output to be achieved; and
 - (C) contains firm, fixed prices for specific tasks to be performed or outcomes to be achieved; and
- (3) the source of the services provides similar services to the general public under terms and conditions similar to those offered to the Federal Government.

(b) Regulations

The regulations implementing this section shall require agencies to collect and maintain reliable data sufficient to identify the contracts or task orders treated as contracts for commercial items using the authority of this section. The data may be collected using the Federal Procurement Data System or other reporting mechanism.

(c) Report

Not later than two years after November 24, 2003, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall prepare and submit to the Committees on Governmental Affairs and on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committees on Government Reform and on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report on the contracts or task orders treated as contracts for commercial items using the authority of this section. The report shall include data on the use of such authority both government-wide and for each department and agency.

(d) Expiration

The authority under this section shall expire 10 years after November 24, 2003.

(Pub. L. 93–400, §41, as added Pub. L. 108–136, div. A, title XIV, §1431(a), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1671.)

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Government Reform of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

§ 438. Civilian Board of Contract Appeals

(a) Board established

There is established in the General Services Administration a board of contract appeals to be known as the Civilian Board of Contract Appeals

(in this section referred to as the “Civilian Board”).

(b) Membership

(1) Appointment

(A) The Civilian Board shall consist of members appointed by the Administrator of General Services (in consultation with the Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy) from a register of applicants maintained by the Administrator of General Services, in accordance with rules issued by the Administrator of General Services (in consultation with the Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy) for establishing and maintaining a register of eligible applicants and selecting Civilian Board members. The Administrator of General Services shall appoint a member without regard to political affiliation and solely on the basis of the professional qualifications required to perform the duties and responsibilities of a Civilian Board member.

(B) The members of the Civilian Board shall be selected and appointed to serve in the same manner as administrative law judges appointed pursuant to section 3105 of title 5, with an additional requirement that such members shall have had not fewer than five years of experience in public contract law.

(C) Notwithstanding subparagraph (B) and subject to paragraph (2), the following persons shall serve as Civilian Board members: any full-time member of any agency board of contract appeals other than the Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals, the Postal Service Board of Contract Appeals, and the board of contract appeals of the Tennessee Valley Authority serving as such on the day before the effective date of this section.

(2) Removal

Members of the Civilian Board shall be subject to removal in the same manner as administrative law judges, as provided in section 7521 of title 5.

(3) Compensation

Compensation for members of the Civilian Board shall be determined under section 5372a of title 5.

(c) Functions

(1) In general

The Civilian Board shall have jurisdiction as provided by section 607(d) of this title.

(2) Additional jurisdiction

The Civilian Board may, with the concurrence of the Federal agency or agencies affected—

(A) assume jurisdiction over any additional category of laws or disputes over which an agency board of contract appeals established pursuant to section 607 of this title exercised jurisdiction before the effective date of this section; and

(B) assume any other functions performed by such a board before such effective date on behalf of such agencies.

(Pub. L. 93–400, §42, as added Pub. L. 109–163, div. A, title VIII, §847(a), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3391.)