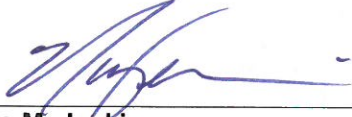


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SUBJECT: BFAI UPDATE 16-1

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An online copy of the Bonneville Financial Assistance Instructions (BFAI) is available at <http://www.bpa.gov/Doing%20Business/finassist/Pages/default.aspx>. The online BFAI is a conformed copy with all changes included as of the current date and is effective until superseded.

A. BACKGROUND

On December 26, 2013, OMB published final guidance in 2 C.F.R 200 titled Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of Federal financial assistance. This guidance implements Executive Order 13520, February 28, 2011, and the objectives laid out in OMB Memorandum M-13-17.

The purpose of BFAI Transmittal 16-1 is to clarify language, update references, and align the BFAI with 2 C.F.R. 200 Uniform Administrative Requirements.

B. SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Part 1 GENERAL

Revised to align with the BPA Manual (BPAM), 2 CFR 200, and Title 40.
Revised to clarify language.

Part 2 PLANNING AND SOLICITATION ACTIVITIES

Revised to clarify language.

Part 3 RECEIPT AND EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

Revised to clarify language and update BPAM references.

Part 4 SELECTION AND AWARD PROCESS

Revised to clarify language, update dollar threshold, update/correct multiple references, update/revise multiple clauses

Part 5 TECHNICAL ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITIES

Revised to clarify language and references throughout.

Part 7 CLOSEOUT

Revised to correct references.

C. DETAIL OF CHANGES IN THIS UPDATE:

Topic	BFAI section	Change	Clauses
Part 1 General	1.1, 1.2.2.2, 1.3.2.1, 1.4	The BPA Manual (BPAM) reference 10.4 is deleted. BPAM reference 20.10 is changed to 20.14. Clarify language and update references to align with 2 CFR 200 "Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a to a-7)" is changed to "Construction Wage Rate Requirements statute (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148)". Changed "insuring" to "ensuring"	N/A
Part 2 Planning and Solicitation Activities	2.1(a), 2.2(a), 2.3	Procedure is changed from " <u>Employees</u> shall contact the appropriate FAO..." to " <u>Program Office staff</u> shall contact the appropriate FAO..." Policy is changed from "The Program Office or the FAO shall convene Strategy Panels..." to "The FAO shall convene Strategy Panels..." Clarify language, add unique source justification and FISMA Clarify language for advertising/soliciting prospective applicants	N/A
Part 3 Receipt and Evaluation of Applications	3.2, 3.2.1, 3.4.1(a)	Clarify language for evaluation of awards. Update reference to align with the BPAM. Corrected BFAI reference at 1.3.2.2 and changed "will" to "shall". Corrected miscellaneous typographical and grammar errors.	N/A

<p>Part 4 Selection and Award Process</p>	<p>4.2(b), 4.3(b)(4), 4.6.1.2, 4.6.2, 4.6.3, 4.9, 4.10, 4.11.1, 4.11.2, 4.13</p>	<p>Changed http://epls.arnet.gov to www.sam.gov. Changed "may" to "shall"</p> <p>Removed BPI reference and changed "less than 12 months" to "12 months or less"</p> <p>Changed "insure" to "ensure"</p> <p>Changed "less than \$50,000" to "\$50,000 or less"</p> <p>Removed reference to paper checks</p> <p>Clarified reference to BPA's electronic award form, changed "covered" to "addressed", updated bonding threshold from \$100,000 to \$150,000 to align with BPI, updated BPI clause 3-3 title, corrected miscellaneous typographical, reference and grammar errors,</p> <p>Removed requirement to notify DOE of awards of \$2,000,000 or more and renumbered section 4.11</p> <p>Corrected BPI Appendix reference</p> <p>Removed reference to follow DAD requirements of BPI.</p> <p>Corrected internet address to obtain BFAI and removed reference to purchasing copies. (clause 4-1)</p> <p>Corrected CFR reference and updated language regarding nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs. (clause 4-2)</p> <p>Removed "e" from Standard Form 270. (clause 4-6)</p> <p>Changed "insure" to "ensure". (clause 4-7)</p> <p>Update CFR reference (clause 4-19)</p> <p>Deleted direction to call Seattle Regional Office of OFCCP. (clause 4-20)</p> <p>Update language to align with 2 CFR 200, change "sent" to "submitted", and correct internal audit reference. (clause 4-21)</p> <p>Changed "insure" to "ensure". (clause 4-24)</p> <p>Corrected miscellaneous typographical and grammar errors.</p>	<p>Clause 4-1, Clause 4-2, Clause 4-6, Clause 4-7, Clause 4-19, Clause 4-20, Clause 4-21, Clause 4-24</p>
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Part 5 Technical Administration Activities	5.2.2, 5.2.6, 5.3.2, 5.3.3, 5.3.4, 5.4, 5.5.1, 5.5.4, 5.8.2.2	Corrected clause reference Edited grammar Removed "e" from Standard Form 270 throughout. Clarified language and references throughout. Changed "insure" to "ensure" throughout. Corrected clause reference.	
Part 6 Other Administration Activities	6.3	Corrected typographical error.	
Part 7 Closeout	7.4	Corrected Standard Form number and CFR section	

D. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CO:

1. Part 4: COs shall include the revised clauses in financial assistance solicitations and awards issued after the effective date of this transmittal.

(End of Transmittal)