32.903 Responsibilities.

(a) *Agency heads-*

(1) *Must* establish the policies and procedures necessary to implement this subpart;

(2) *May* prescribe additional standards for establishing *invoice payment due dates* (see 32.904) necessary to support agency programs and foster prompt payment to contractors;

(3) *May* adopt different payment procedures in order to accommodate unique circumstances, provided that such procedures are consistent with the policies in this subpart;

(4) *Must* inform contractors of points of contact within their cognizant payment offices to enable contractors to obtain status of *invoices*; and

(5) *May* authorize the use of the accelerated payment methods specified at 5 CFR 1315.5, but see 32.009-1(a).

(b) When drafting *solicitations* and contracts, *contracting officers must* identify for each *line item number*, *subline item* number, or exhibit *line item number-*

(1) The applicable Prompt Payment clauses that apply to each item when the *solicitation* or contract contains items that will be subject to different payment terms; and

(2) The applicable Prompt Payment food category (*e.g.,* which item numbers are meat or meat food *products*, which are perishable agricultural commodities), when the *solicitation* or contract contains multiple payment terms for various classes of foods and edible *products*.

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