## 13.302-2 Unpriced purchase orders.

- (a) An unpriced *purchase order* is an order for *supplies* or services, the price of which is not established at the time of issuance of the order.
- (b) An unpriced purchase order may be used only when-
- (1) It is impractical to obtain *pricing* in advance of issuance of the *purchase order*; and
- (2) The purchase is for-
- (i) Repairs to equipment requiring disassembly to determine the nature and extent of repairs;
- (ii) Material available from only one source and for which cost cannot readily be established; or
- (iii) *Supplies* or services for which prices are known to be competitive, but exact prices are not known (*e.g.*, miscellaneous repair parts, maintenance agreements).
- (c) Unpriced *purchase orders may* be issued on paper or electronically. A realistic monetary limitation, either for each *line item* or for the total order, *shall* be placed on each unpriced *purchase order*. The monetary limitation *shall* be an obligation subject to adjustment when the firm price is established. The *contracting office shall* follow up on each order to ensure timely *pricing*. The *contracting officer* or the *contracting officer*'s designated representative *shall* review the *invoice* price and, if reasonable (see <u>13.106-3</u>(a)), process the *invoice* for payment.

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