

## 36.607 Release of information on firm selection.

(a) After final selection has taken place, the *contracting officer may* release information identifying only the architect-engineer firm with which a contract will be negotiated for certain work. The work *should* be described in any release only in general terms, unless information relating to the work is classified. If negotiations are terminated without awarding a contract to the highest rated firm, the *contracting officer may* release that information and state that negotiations will be undertaken with another (named) architect-engineer firm. When an award has been made, the *contracting officer may* release award information (see [5.401](#)).

(b) Debriefings of successful and unsuccessful firms will be held after final selection has taken place and will be conducted, to the extent practicable, in accordance with [15.503](#), [15.506\(b\)](#) through (f), and [15.507\(c\)](#). Note that [15.506\(d\)\(2\)](#) through (d)(5) do not apply to architect-engineer contracts.

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