52.243-5 Changes and Changed Conditions.

As prescribed in 43.205(e), insert the following clause:

Changes and Changed Conditions (Apr 1984)

- (a) The *Contracting Officer may, in writing,* order changes in the drawings and specifications within the general scope of the contract.
- (b) The Contractor *shall* promptly notify the *Contracting Officer*, *in writing*, of subsurface or latent physical conditions differing materially from those indicated in this contract or unknown unusual physical conditions at the site before proceeding with the work.
- (c) If changes under paragraph (a) or conditions under paragraph (b) increase or decrease the cost of, or time required for performing the work, the *Contracting Officer shall* make an equitable adjustment (see paragraph (d)) upon submittal of a "proposal for adjustment" (hereafter referred to as proposal) by the Contractor before final payment under the contract.
- (d) The Contracting Officer shall not make an equitable adjustment under paragraph (b) unless-
- (1) The Contractor has submitted and the *Contracting Officer* has received the required written notice; or
- (2) The *Contracting Officer* waives the requirement for the written notice.
- (e) Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under the Disputes clause.

(End of clause)

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