510.001 Policy.

Consistent with the requirements of FAR <u>part 10</u> and <u>part 510</u>, requiring activities and contracting officers shall use the results of market research to—

- (a)Determine if existing sources (see FAR <u>part 8</u> and <u>part 508</u>) can meet the requirement. The use of existing sources shall include consideration of category management requirements (see <u>subpart 507.71</u>).
- (1)Contracting officers may contact the GSA AbilityOne Representative (ABOR) team at $\underline{GSAABOR@gsa.gov}$ for assistance with determining whether the acquisition should use the AbilityOne program (see FAR $\underline{subpart~8.7}$ and $\underline{subpart~508.7}$) or include FAR clause $\underline{52.208-9}$ (see FAR $\underline{8.005}$ and $\underline{508.005}$).
- (b)Determine if subcontracting possibilities exist. Subcontracting opportunities may include the use of AbilityOne Nonprofit Agencies (NPAs) (see FAR <u>subpart 8.7</u> and <u>subpart 508.7</u>). Contracting officers may contact the GSA ABOR team at <u>GSAABOR@gsa.gov</u> for assistance with identifying subcontracting opportunities for NPAs.
- (c)Determine the use of any of the small businesses programs in accordance with FAR $\underline{\text{part } 19}$ or use of any strategies to provide opportunities to small businesses.

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