14.208 Amendment of invitation for bids.

(a) If it becomes necessary to make changes in quantity, specifications, delivery schedules, opening dates, etc., or to correct a defective or ambiguous invitation, such changes *shall* be accomplished by amendment of the invitation for bids using <u>Standard Form 30</u>, Amendment of *Solicitation/* Modification of Contract. The fact that a change was mentioned at a pre-bid conference does not relieve the necessity for issuing an amendment. Amendments *shall* be sent, before the time for bid opening, to everyone to whom invitations have been furnished and *shall* be displayed in the bid room.

(b) Before amending an invitation for bids, the *contracting officer shall* consider the period of time remaining until bid opening and the need to extend this period.

(c) Any information given to a prospective bidder concerning an invitation for bids *shall* be furnished promptly to all other prospective bidders as an amendment to the invitation (1) if such information is necessary for bidders to submit bids or (2) if the lack of such information would be prejudicial to uninformed bidders. The information *shall* be furnished even though a pre-bid conference is held. No award *shall* be made on the invitation unless such amendment has been issued in sufficient time to permit all prospective bidders to consider such information in submitting or modifying their bids.

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