SUBJECT: BFAI UPDATE 16-1

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 23, 2015

An online copy of the Bonneville Financial Assistance Instructions (BFAI) is available at http://www.bpa.gov/Doing%20Business/finassist/Pages/default.aspx. The online BFAI is a conformed copy with all changes included as of the current date and is effective until superseded.

A. BACKGROUND


The purpose of BFAI Transmittal 16-1 is to clarify language, update references, and align the BFAI with 2 C.F.R. 200 Uniform Administrative Requirements.

B. SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Part 1 GENERAL
Revised to align with the BPA Manual (BPAM), 2 CFR 200, and Title 40.
Revised to clarify language.

Part 2 PLANNING AND SOLICITATION ACTIVITIES
Revised to clarify language.

Part 3 RECEIPT AND EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS
Revised to clarify language and update BPAM references.

Part 4 SELECTION AND AWARD PROCESS
Revised to clarify language, update dollar threshold, update/correct multiple references, update/revise multiple clauses

Part 5 TECHNICAL ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITIES
Revised to clarify language and references throughout.

Part 7 CLOSEOUT
Revised to correct references.
## C. DETAIL OF CHANGES IN THIS UPDATE:

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<td>Part 1 General</td>
<td>1.1, 1.2.2.2, 1.3.2.1, 1.4</td>
<td>The BPA Manual (BPAM) reference 10.4 is deleted. BPAM reference 20.10 is changed to 20.14. Clarify language and update references to align with 2 CFR 200. &quot;Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a to a-7)&quot; is changed to &quot;Construction Wage Rate Requirements statute (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148)&quot;. Changed &quot;insuring&quot; to &quot;ensuring&quot;</td>
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<td>Part 2 Planning and Solicitation Activities</td>
<td>2.1(a), 2.2(a), 2.3</td>
<td>Procedure is changed from &quot;Employees shall contact the appropriate FAO...&quot; to &quot;Program Office staff shall contact the appropriate FAO...&quot; Policy is changed from &quot;The Program Office or the FAO shall convene Strategy Panels...&quot; to &quot;The FAO shall convene Strategy Panels...&quot; Clarify language, add unique source justification and FISMA Clarify language for advertising/soliciting prospective applicants</td>
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<td>Part 3 Receipt and Evaluation of Applications</td>
<td>3.2, 3.2.1, 3.4.1(a)</td>
<td>Clarify language for evaluation of awards. Update reference to align with the BPAM. Corrected BFAI reference at 1.3.2.2 and changed &quot;will&quot; to &quot;shall&quot;. Corrected miscellaneous typographical and grammar errors.</td>
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<td>4.2(b), 4.3(b)(4), 4.6.1.2, 4.6.2, 4.6.3, 4.9, 4.10, 4.11.1, 4.11.2, 4.13</td>
<td>Changed <a href="http://epls.arnet.gov">http://epls.arnet.gov</a> to <a href="http://www.sam.gov">www.sam.gov</a>. Changed &quot;may&quot; to &quot;shall&quot; Removed BPI reference and changed &quot;less than 12 months&quot; to &quot;12 months or less&quot; Changed &quot;insure&quot; to &quot;ensure&quot; Changed &quot;less than $50,000&quot; to &quot;$50,000 or less&quot; Removed reference to paper checks Clarified reference to BPA’s electronic award form, changed &quot;covered&quot; to &quot;addressed&quot;, updated bonding threshold from $100,000 to $150,000 to align with BPI, updated BPI clause 3-3 title, corrected miscellaneous typographical, reference and grammar errors, Removed requirement to notify DOE of awards of $2,000,000 or more and renumbered section 4.11 Corrected BPI Appendix reference Removed reference to follow DAD requirements of BPI. Corrected internet address to obtain BFAI and removed reference to purchasing copies. (clause 4-1) Corrected CFR reference and updated language regarding nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs. (clause 4-2) Removed &quot;e&quot; from Standard Form 270. (clause 4-6) Changed &quot;insure&quot; to &quot;ensure&quot;. (clause 4-7) Update CFR reference (clause 4-19) Deleted direction to call Seattle Regional Office of OFCCP. (clause 4-20) Update language to align with 2 CFR 200, change &quot;sent&quot; to &quot;submitted&quot;, and correct internal audit reference. (clause 4-21) Changed &quot;insure&quot; to &quot;ensure&quot;. (clause 4-24) Corrected miscellaneous typographical and grammar errors.</td>
<td>Clause 4-1, Clause 4-2, Clause 4-6, Clause 4-7, Clause 4-19, Clause 4-20, Clause 4-21, Clause 4-24</td>
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Part 5 Technical Administration Activities

| 5.2.2, 5.2.6, 5.3.2, 5.3.3, 5.3.4, 5.4, 5.5.1, 5.5.4, 5.8.2.2 | Corrected clause reference
| | Edited grammar
| | Removed “e” from Standard Form 270 throughout.
| | Clarified language and references throughout.
| | Changed “insure” to “ensure” throughout.
| | Corrected clause reference.

Part 6 Other Administration Activities
| 6.3 | Corrected typographical error.

Part 7 Closeout
| 7.4 | Corrected Standard Form number and CFR section

D. INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CO:

1. **Part 4:** COs shall include the revised clauses in financial assistance solicitations and awards issued after the effective date of this transmittal.

(End of Transmittal)