15.01.02.C0.01 Compliance with the Federal Procurement Integrity Act

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Revision History

Procedure Summary

The requirements of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act Amendments of 1988, as amended (codified at 41 U.S.C., Ch. 21, Sections 2101-2107) relate to contractors who see procurement contracts from the federal government in order to provide the government or one of its agencies with goods or services. The majority of such relationships that involve Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (TAMU-CC) are for federally funded research. The purpose of this procedure is to define the parameters to remain in compliance with the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act.

Procedure

1. During the course of any federally funded purchases of goods or services, TAMU-CC, or any officer, employee, agent, representative, and/or consultant of TAMU-CC, is prohibited from knowingly, directly, or indirectly:

   (a) making any offer or promise of future employment or business opportunity to, or engaging in any discussion of future employment or business opportunity with, any federal procurement officer who is personally and substantially participating in a federal agency procurement in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold (as that term is defined in 48 CFR 2.101) in which the system or TAMU-CC is competing;

   (b) offering, giving, or promising to offer or give, directly or indirectly, any money, gratuity, or other thing of value to any procurement official of such agency;

   (c) soliciting or obtaining, directly or indirectly, from any officer or employee of such agency, prior to the award of a contract, any proprietary or source selection information regarding said procurement; or

   (d) obtaining a third-party contractor bid or proposal information or source selection information before the award of a federal agency procurement contract to which the information relates unless otherwise provided by law.

2. Prior to the commencement of any federally funded purchase, each officer, employee, agent, representative, and/or consultant of TAMU-CC, who personally and substantially participates in the preparation or submission of the bid, will contact the Procurement Department and certify by signing the Federal Procurement Integrity Act Certification Form that they are familiar with the Federal Procurement Integrity Act. This form can be found in the Appendix section of this procedure. The Procurement & Disbursements Department will retain an original copy of the signed Federal Procurement Integrity Act Certification Form on file.

3. Any officer, employee, agent, representative, and/or consultant of TAMU-CC shall immediately report any information concerning a violation or possible violation directly to the Procurement & Disbursements Department or the Compliance Services Department. Failure to comply with the Federal Procurement Integrity Act can result in personal liability and penalties. Criminal penalties for violations of the Federal Procurement Integrity Act include personal imprisonment up to five (5) years. Civil penalties can result in personal fines of up to $50,000 for each violation plus twice the amount of compensation which the individual received or offered for the prohibited conduct. Organizational penalties are also possible.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

Federal Procurement Policy Act, 41 U.S.C. §§ 2101-2107
System Policy *07.01, Ethics*
System Regulation *15.01.02, Federal Procurement Integrity Act*
System Policy *32.02, Discipline and Dismissal of Employees*

Appendix

Federal Procurement Integrity Act Certification Form

Contact Office

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