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Federal Acquisition Regulation: Amendments to the FAR Buy American Act Requirements; Extension of Time for Comments

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: DoD, GSA, and NASA issued a proposed rule on July 30, 2021, amending the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to implement an Executive order (E.O.) addressing domestic preferences in Government procurement. The deadline for submitting comments is being extended from September 28, 2021 to October 28, 2021 to provide additional time for interested parties to provide comments on the FAR case.

DATES: For the proposed rule published on July 30, 2021 (86 FR 40980), submit comments by October 28, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in response to FAR Case 2021–008 to https://www.regulations.gov. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching for "FAR Case 2021–008". Select the link "Comment Now" that corresponds with "FAR Case 2021–008." Follow the instructions provided on the screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "FAR Case 2021–008" on your attached

document. If your comment cannot be submitted using https://www.regulations.gov, call or email the points of contact in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite "FAR Case 2021–008" in all correspondence related to this case.

Comments submitted in response to this proposed rule will be made publicly available and are subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. For this reason, please do not include in your comments information of a confidential nature, such as sensitive personal information or proprietary information, or any information that you would not want publicly disclosed unless you follow the instructions below for confidential comments. Summary information of the public comments received, including any specific comments, will be posted on regulations.gov.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Mahruba Uddowla, Procurement Analyst, at 703–605–2868 or by email at mahruba.uddowla@gsa.gov, for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat Division at 202–501–4755 or GSARegSec@gsa.gov. Please cite FAR Case 2021–008.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

DoD, GSA, and NASA published a proposed rule in the **Federal Register** at 86 FR 40980, on July 30, 2021. The comment period is extended to October 28, 2021 to allow additional time for interested parties to develop comments on the proposed rule as well as provide feedback on the questions posed in the preamble that will be used to further inform the rulemaking and future regulatory actions.

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Government procurement.

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