

2006 Current Fiscal Year Report: Acquisition Advisory Panel

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1. Department or Agency

Office of Management and Budget

2. Fiscal Year

2006

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Acquisition Advisory Panel

3b. GSA Committee No.

22888

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year? 5. Current Charter 6. Expected Renewal Date 7. Expected Term Date

No 10/01/2004 02/09/2007 02/08/2007

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year? 8b. Specific Termination Authority 8c. Actual Term Date

Yes Public Law 109-163, Title VIII, Section 843 09/30/2006

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate? 10b. Legislation Pending?

Terminate No Enacted

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority 13. Effective Date 14. Committee Type 14c. Presidential?

Sec. 1423, P.L. 108-136 11/24/2003 Ad hoc No

15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports 1

16b. Report Date Report Title

09/30/2006 While the print version is being prepared, the draft full report will be posted to Panel web site. Findings/recommendations are already posted at this site.

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 1

17a. Open 20 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 20

Meetings and Dates

Purpose	Start	End
Public Meeting	10/27/2005	- 10/27/2005
Public Meeting	11/18/2005	- 11/18/2005
Public Meeting	11/29/2005	- 11/29/2005
Public Meeting	12/16/2005	- 12/16/2005
Public Meeting	01/31/2006	- 01/31/2006
Public Meeting	02/23/2006	- 02/23/2006
Public Meeting	03/17/2006	- 03/17/2006
Public Meeting	03/29/2006	- 03/29/2006
Public Meeting	04/21/2006	- 04/21/2006
Public Meeting	05/18/2006	- 05/18/2006
Public Meeting	06/14/2006	- 06/14/2006
Public Meeting	06/29/2006	- 06/29/2006
Public Meeting	07/07/2006	- 07/07/2006

Public Meeting	07/12/2006	- 07/12/2006
Public Meeting	07/14/2006	- 07/14/2006
Public Meeting	07/21/2006	- 07/21/2006
Public Meeting	07/24/2006	- 07/24/2006
Public Meeting	07/25/2006	- 07/25/2006
Public Meeting	08/10/2006	- 08/10/2006
Pubic Meeting	08/29/2006	- 08/29/2006

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 20

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$62,400.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$253,880.00	\$4,563.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$230,000.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$546,280.00	\$4,563.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	2.00	0.25

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The committee invited speakers and accepted offers to address the Panel on its statutory charter from interested members of the community, to include public sector officials, industry (both large and small businesses), associations, unions, Government watchdog groups, members of academia and individuals. The various perspectives represented are recorded at the public meetings, and minutes and presentation materials posted on the Panel's web site to maintain the highest standards of transparency. The Panel Chair assigned each member to one of six working groups tasked with researching, analyzing, and making recommendations to the full Panel on specific acquisition areas. These working groups included the following acquisition topics: Commercial Practices, Performance-Based Contracting, Interagency Contracting, Acquisition Workforce, Small Business, and Appropriate Role of Contractors Supporting the Government. Each working group was responsible for developing draft report sections as follows: Parts I/II - Background and Issue Statements Part III - Findings Part IV - Recommendations Once researched and analyzed, each working group, based on a phased schedule adopted by the Panel, verbally briefed each Part of the report to the full Panel during public meetings at which time the Chair facilitated open discussion on the issues. Any presentations were posted to the Panel's web site to maximize visibility and encourage the submission of written public statements. The working group then made any necessary revisions based on the discussion, further public testimony, working group meetings, or written public statements. Working group findings and recommendations were voted on by the full

Panel. These adopted findings and recommendations have been posted to the Panel's web site. The draft full report will be posted at the Panel's web site at <http://acquisition.gov/comp/aap/index.html> as the final report is being prepared for print through the Government Printing Office. Once printed (expected in early 2007), the report will be submitted to the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) and Congress as required by the Panel's authorizing statute, Section 1423 of the Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Panel is composed of 13 experts in government procurement law and acquisition. Of the members, 5 are from the private sector, 6 are public sector officials, and 1 member is from academia.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Panel generally held between one to two public meetings per month, but in July 2006, it held six public meetings. Since public meetings began in February 2005 (when the Panel members were appointed), the Panel has held 31 public meetings, mostly in Washington, DC, but one was held in Long Beach, CA and one in Ft. Worth, TX. The meetings are highly relevant and specifically address matters associated with the Panel's statutory charter. Frequently, the members discuss recent news or GAO reports that impact their charter, with significant dialogue and debate on the subjects under review by this Panel.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This committee was statutorily authorized under the Services Acquisition Reform Act (SARA) of 2003 and then extended by statute (Public Law 109-163, Title VIII, Sec. 843)

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

This Panel did not hold any closed meetings.

21. Remarks

All Panel findings and recommendations were adopted during public meetings and posted to the Panel's web site after its last public meeting in August 2006. The draft final report was posted at the Panel's web site December 2006. The final report will be published through the Government Printing Office.

Designated Federal Officer

Laura G. Auletta Executive Director/Designated Federal Officer

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Addeo, Louis	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	President, AT&T Government Solutions	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Anderson, Frank	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	President, Defense Acquisition University	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Burman, Allan	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	President, Jefferson Solutions, Jefferson Consulting Group, LLC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
DeMaio, Carl	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	President and Founder of The Performance Institute	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Doke, Marshall	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Partner, Gardere Wynne Sewell, LLP	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Drabkin, David	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Etherton, Jonathan	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Principle, Etherton and Associates	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hughes, James	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Deputy General Counsel for Acquisition Policy, U. S. Air Force, Department of Defense	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Lee, Deidre	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Deputy Director for Operations, FEMA, DHS	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Luedtke, Tom	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Deputy Chief Acquisition Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Madsen, Marcia	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Partner, Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw LLP	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Schwartz, Joshua	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Professor of Law and Co-Director of the Government Procurement Law Program, George Washington University Law School	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Waldron, Roger	02/09/2005	02/08/2007	Director, Acquisition management Center, General Services Administration	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 13

Narrative Description

The Panel shall review Federal laws, regulations, and government-wide policies regarding the use of commercial practices, performance-based contracting,; performance of acquisition functions across agency lines of responsibility, and government-wide contracts. The Panel shall review such promulgations with a veiw toward protecting the best interests of the Government, ensuring financial and ethical integrity of Federal acquisitions and promoting the effective, efficient and fair award and administration of Federal contracts.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

Outcome Comments

The Panel's recommendations represent a balanced and moderate approach with an emphasis on encouraging greater competition, improving tools to help a stressed workforce meet its objectives, improved accountability and transparency, and a focus on affording small business greater opportunity to participate in government procurement.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
- \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
- Over \$10,000,000
- Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

Cost savings are among the benefits to be achieved with greater competition. However, cost savings is not the only benefit of competition. Higher quality goods and services as well as innovation are also achieved in a healthy competitive environment. However, given the dynamic and ever-changing requirements of the Federal Government, it would be difficult to baseline sufficient to identify specific cost savings on a governmentwide basis.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

80

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Panel's recommendations can be found at the link entitled Panel Recommendations To Date at the Panel's web site: <http://acquisition.gov/comp/aap/index.html>

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The Panel's report has not yet been submitted to OFPP and Congress.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

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Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

NA

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

Action Comments

The Panel's report has not yet been submitted to OFPP and Congress.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

Access Comments

Panel web site: <http://acquisition.gov/comp/aap/index.html> DFO: Laura Auletta, (202) 395-3256 or e-mail at Laura_G._Auletta@omb.eop.gov