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SUBJECT:

Delegations of the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere/Administrator's Procurement Authority to the Deputy Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and the Director, Systems Program Office

TO:

Financial Management Centers, NOAA Staff Offices, and Office of Administration and Administrative Support Center Divisions

- Department of Commerce Acquisition Manual Issuance No. 2 (CAM) (authorized by Department Administrative Order 208-0, and supplemented by Department Administrative Order 208-2, as amended), provides contracting (procurement) authority to the Heads of the various Department Operating Units.
- Delegations of Procurement Authority to the Deputy Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and the Director, Systems Program Office. The Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator delegates authority authorized by Department Administrative Order 208-2, for major system procurements such as: AWIPS, ASOS, and NEXRAD; and support contracts to the Deputy Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and the Director, Systems Program Office.
- Redelegations of Delegations of Procurement Authority granted by the General Services Administration to the Deputy Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and the Director, Systems Program Office. The Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator redelegates procurement authority granted by the General Services Administration for the major systems functions listed above to the Deputy Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and the Director, Systems Program Office.
- Authority for redelegations is the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Chief Financial Officer's Memorandum, dated: June 21, 1991. [See copy attached]
- The Deputy Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and the Director, Systems Program Office shall abide by all conditions of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Chief Financial Officer's Memorandum.

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Attachments (2)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
The Assistant Secretary for Administration
Washington, D.C. 20230

21 JUN 1991

ATTACHMENT 1

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MEMORANDUM FOR John A. Knauss

Administrator, National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration

FROM:

Preston Moore That The Administration

and Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT:

Delegation of Procurement Authority

Consistent with this office's approval of your Departmental Organization Order 25-5, Amendment 5, we delegate to you, for redelegation to the Director, Systems Program Office (SPO), procurement authority for the contracts in support of NWS Modernization which are currently assigned to the Office of Procurement. These contracts are AWIPS, ASOS, and NEXRAD major systems procurements and associated support contracts.

This memorandum also redelegates the Delegations of Procurement Authority granted by the General Services Administration for the functions transferred, including delegations made for the AWIPS and ASOS programs. Those DPA's are attached.

This redelegation requires that NOAA abide by all conditions established in the GSA Delegations of Procurement Authority and redelegations from the Department. This redelegation does not eliminate or otherwise affect NOAA's responsibility to identify, document and obtain approval of automation plans and requirements in accordance with the FIRMR and Departmental policies.

As a condition of this delegation, NOAA is required to obtain the written approval of the Procurement Executive before any Memorandum of Understanding and resulting contract modification incorporating the comprehensive settlement recently negotiated with Unisys is signed. In addition NOAA is required to conduct regular senior level Program Management Reviews (PMR's) consisting of a description of important issues, including major cost and budgeting issues, progress, and planned activities in relation to the programs assigned. These PMR's will include senior officials from the Department, including but not limited to, the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration, including the Directors of OBPO, OIRM and OPAS; DOD and FAA officials and, as appropriate, senior contractor officials. These PMR's should be used as an opportunity to cover issues and reporting requirements imposed under GSA delegations, in advance of the required date for submission to GSA.

This delegation also modifies Departmental Administrative Order 208-2, Contracting (Procurement) Authority, to make the SPO Director the Head of the Contracting Activity for procurements performed by the contracting officers in the SPO.

This delegation does not modify Commerce Acquisition Manual Issuance No. 2, the contracting officer warrant program. Specifically, the contracting officer warrant program specifies that contracting officers being transferred to NOAA must reapply for warrants and be recertified. DAO 208-2 states that officials in the line of authority between the Head of the Agency and warranted contracting officers may be contracting officers.

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ATTACHMENT 2

GSA Delegations of Procurement Authority
Relating to the Modernization of the National Weather Service

	GSA Case No.	Description	<u>Date</u>
AUTOMATED SURFACE OBSERVING SYSTEM (ASOS)			
TAB A	KMA-87-0135	Original DPA	1/22/87
TAB B	KMA-90-0483	GSA Comprehensive Review	9/14/90
ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM (AWIPS)			
TAB C	KMC-86-0283	Original DPA - Definition Phase	6/05/86
TAB D	KMA-86-0283(A)	Extend Definition Phase from 12 TO 22 months	8/31/88
TAB E	KMA-86-0283(B)	GSA placed conditions on DPA regarding use of FTS2000	7/24/89
TAB F	KMA-86-0283(C)	DPA for remainder of AWIPS Program (Development, Deploy- ment and Operations Phases), GSA Comprehensive Review	3/05/90
TAB G	KMA-90-0427	Extend Definition Phase from 22 to 34 months	8/21/90

NOTE: Tabs are filed in Delegations of Authority Case Files (telephone 427-2534 for copies).