

## 3.501-1 Definition.

*Buying-in*, as used in this section, means submitting an *offer* below anticipated costs, expecting to-

(1) Increase the contract amount after award (*e.g.*, through unnecessary or excessively priced *change orders*); or

(2) Receive follow-on contracts at artificially high prices to recover losses incurred on the buy-in contract.

**Parent topic:** [3.501 Buying-in.](#)