

## 14.201-8 Price related factors.

The factors set forth in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this subsection *may* be applicable in evaluation of bids for award and *shall* be included in the *solicitation* when applicable. (See [14.201-5\(c\)](#).)

(a) Foreseeable costs or delays to the Government resulting from such factors as differences in *inspection*, locations of *supplies*, and transportation. If bids are on an f.o.b. origin basis (see [47.303](#) and [47.305](#)), transportation costs to the designated points *shall* be considered in determining the lowest cost to the Government.

(b) Changes made, or requested by the bidder, in any of the provisions of the invitation for bids, if the change does not constitute a ground for rejection under [14.404](#).

(c) Advantages or disadvantages to the Government that might result from making more than one award (see [14.201-6\(q\)](#)). The *contracting officer shall* assume, for the purpose of making multiple awards, that \$500 would be the administrative cost to the Government for issuing and administering each contract awarded under a *solicitation*. Individual awards *shall* be for the items or combinations of items that result in the lowest aggregate cost to the Government, including the assumed administrative costs.

(d) Federal, state, and local taxes (see [part 29](#)).

(e) Origin of *supplies*, and, if foreign, the application of the Buy American statute or any other prohibition on foreign purchases (see [part 25](#)).

**Parent topic:** [14.201 Preparation of invitations for bids](#).