

19.808-2 Competitive.

In competitive 8(a) *acquisitions*, including follow-on 8(a) *acquisitions*, subject to part 15, the *contracting officer* conducts negotiations directly with the competing 8(a) participants. Conducting competitive negotiations among eligible 8(a) participants prior to SBA's formal acceptance of the *acquisition* for the 8(a) program *may* be grounds for the SBA's not accepting the *acquisition* for the 8(a) program.

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