25.501 General.

The contracting officer-

- (a) Must apply the evaluation procedures of this subpart to each line item of an offer unless either the offer or the solicitation specifies evaluation on a group basis (see 25.503);
- (b) May rely on the offeror's certification of end product origin when evaluating a foreign offer;
- (c) *Must* identify and reject *offers* of *end products* that are prohibited in accordance with <u>subpart</u> 25.7; and
- (d) When trade agreements are involved, *must* not use the Buy American statute evaluation factors prescribed in this subpart to provide a preference for one *foreign offer* over another *foreign offer*.

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