

35.004 Publicizing requirements and expanding research and development sources.

(a) In order to obtain a broad base of the best contractor sources from the scientific and industrial community, agencies *must*, in addition to following the requirements of [part 5](#), continually search for and develop information on sources (including small business concerns) competent to perform R&D work. These efforts *should* include-

(1) Early identification and publication of agency R&D needs and requirements, including publicizing through the *Governmentwide point of entry (GPE)* (see [part 5](#));

(2) Cooperation among technical personnel, *contracting officers*, and Government small business personnel early in the *acquisition* process; and

(3) Providing agency R&D points of contact for potential sources.

(b) See [subpart 9.7](#) for information regarding R&D pools and [subpart 9.6](#) for teaming arrangements.

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