47.303-1 F.o.b. origin.

- (a) Explanation of delivery term. "F.o.b. origin" means free of expense to the Government delivered-
- (1) On board the indicated type of conveyance of the *carrier* (or of the Government, if specified) at a designated point in the city, county, and State from which the *shipment* will be made and from which line-haul transportation service (as distinguished from switching, local drayage, or other terminal service) will begin;
- (2) To, and placed on, the *carrier*'s wharf (at shipside, within reach of the ship's loading tackle, when the shipping point is within a port area having water transportation service) or the *carrier*'s *freight* station;
- (3) To a U.S. Postal Service facility; or
- (4) If stated in the *solicitation*, to any Government-designated point located within the same city or commercial zone as the f.o.b. origin point specified in the contract (the Federal Motor *Carrier* Safety Administration prescribes commercial zones at Subpart B of 49 CFR part 372).
- (b) Contractor responsibilities. The contractor shall-

(1)

- (i) Pack and mark the *shipment* to comply with contract specifications; or
- (ii) In the absence of specifications, prepare the *shipment* in conformance with *carrier* requirements to protect the goods and to ensure assessment of the lowest applicable transportation charge;

(2)

- (i) Order specified *carrier* equipment requested by the Government; or
- (ii) If not specified, order appropriate *carrier* equipment not in excess of capacity to accommodate *shipment*;
- (3) Deliver the *shipment* in good order and condition to the *carrier*, and load, stow, trim, block, and/or brace carload or truckload *shipment* (when loaded by the contractor) on or in the *carrier*'s conveyance as required by *carrier* rules and regulations;
- (4) Be responsible for any loss of and/or damage to the goods-
- (i) Occurring before delivery to the *carrier*;
- (ii) Resulting from improper packing and marking; or
- (iii) Resulting from improper loading, stowing, trimming, blocking, and/or bracing of the *shipment*, if loaded by the contractor on or in the *carrier*'s conveyance;

- (5) Complete the Government *bill of lading* supplied by the ordering agency or, when a Government *bill of lading* is not supplied, prepare a commercial *bill of lading* or other transportation receipt. The *bill of lading shall* show-
- (i) A description of the *shipment* in terms of the governing *freight* classification or tariff (or *Government rate tender*) under which lowest *freight* rates are applicable;
- (ii) The seals affixed to the conveyance with their serial numbers or other identification;
- (iii) Lengths and capacities of cars or trucks ordered and furnished;
- (iv) Other pertinent information required to effect prompt delivery to the consignee, including name, delivery address, postal address and ZIP code of consignee, routing, etc.;
- (v) Special instructions or annotations requested by the ordering agency for commercial bills of lading; e.g., "This *shipment* is the property of, and the *freight* charges paid to the *carrier*(s) will be reimbursed by, the Government"; and
- (vi) The signature of the carrier's agent and the date the shipment is received by the carrier; and
- (6) Distribute the copies of the *bill of lading*, or other transportation receipts, as directed by the ordering agency.
- (c) *Contract clause.* The *contracting officer shall* insert in *solicitations* and contracts the clause at 52.247-29, F.o.b. Origin, when the delivery term is f.o.b. origin.

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