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226.7103 Procedure.

In considering acquisitions for award through the section 8(a) program (Subpart 219.8 and FAR Subpart 19.8) or in making set-aside decisions under Subpart 219.5 and FAR Subpart 19.5 for acquisitions in support of a base closure or realignment, the contracting officer shall—

- (a) Determine whether there is a reasonable expectation that offers will be received from responsible business concerns located in the vicinity of the military installation that is being closed or realigned.
- (b) If offers can not be expected from business concerns in the vicinity, proceed with section 8(a) or set-aside consideration as otherwise indicated in Part 219 and FAR Part 19.
- (c) If offers can be expected from business concerns in the vicinity—
 - (1) Consider section 8(a) only if at least one eligible 8(a) contractor is located in the vicinity.
 - (2) Set aside the acquisition for small business only if at least one of the expected offers is from a small business located in the vicinity.

Parent topic: Subpart 226.71 - PREFERENCE FOR LOCAL AND SMALL BUSINESSES