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## **11.107 Solicitation provision.**

(a) Insert the provision at [52.211-6](#), Brand Name or Equal, when brand name or equal purchase descriptions are included in a *solicitation*.

(b) Insert the provision at [52.211-7](#), Alternatives to Government-Unique Standards, in *solicitations* that use Government-unique standards when the agency uses the transaction-based reporting method to report its use of voluntary consensus standards to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (see OMB Circular A-119, "Federal Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards and in Conformity Assessment Activities"). Use of the provision is optional for agencies that report their use of voluntary consensus standards to the National Institute of Standards and Technology using the categorical reporting method. Agencies that manage their specifications on a contract-by-contract basis use the transaction-based method of reporting. Agencies that manage their specifications centrally use the categorical method of reporting. Agency regulations regarding specification management describe which method is used.

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 11.1 - Selecting and Developing Requirements Documents](#)