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## E-1.3 Best Value Continuum

**Subjective Tradeoff.** Subjective tradeoff can be utilized for the acquisition of IP, data deliverables, and associated license rights. (Reference DoD Source Selection Procedures identified at 1.3.1.3, Appendix B, and Army Source Selection Supplements Appendix B).

**Value Adjusted Total Evaluated Price (VATEP).** Use of VATEP may be suitable for procuring Intellectual Property when the Government can determine the value (or worth) and quantify it in the Request for Proposal (RFP). (See DOD Source Selection Procedures identified at 1.3.1.4, Appendix B, and Army Source Selection Supplement Appendix B).

**Lowest Price Technically Acceptable.** Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA). Use of LPTA is not suitable for procuring Intellectual Property or data rights.

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