

Resolution 1013

MULTIPLE AWARD CONTRACTS

Whereas, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing consistently favors policies and practices which encourage maximum competition in bid solicitations for Federal, State and Local Government business, and

Whereas, Federal, state, and Local Government public purchasing officials are committed to competitive bidding as the preferred and most effective means for obtaining products and services at the most favorable prices; and

Whereas, the competitive bid process tends to discourage favoritism and the purchase of products or services on the basis of personal and brand preferences.

Now Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing reaffirms its support of the use of competitive bid solicitations and competitive awards, which means a single award according to the criteria set forth in the bid or proposal to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and to utilize the practice of establishing "multiple award" type contracts for similar commodities only when a single competitive award cannot be made.

The above resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing at its official meeting on the 7th day of October, 1981.

I certify that the above resolution was reviewed and ratified by the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing at its official meeting on the 11th day of November, 1995.

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