MCIEAST PURCHASE CARD OFFICE NOTICE (PCON) 03-19 FPI/ UNICOR Waiver Letter

25 January 2019

APPLICABILITY: MCIEAST PURCHASE CARD OFFICE NOTICE (PCON) 03-19 Guidance related FPI/UNICOR Waiver Letter for purchases above \$3500 to \$10,000.

PURPOSE: To provide guidance to obtain FPI/ UNICOR Waiver Letter.

OVERVIEW: The MPT for **Services** \$2500 and **Construction** \$2000 has not changed. Federal Prison Industries (FPI) UNICOR, Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) policies apply to purchases over \$3,500.

- (1) Screen all requirements over \$3500 through FPI Schedules, https://www.unicor.gov/index.aspx as defined in FAR 8.602 and 8.605 (e).
- (2) MPT for construction remains \$2,000 subject to 40 U.S.C. Chapter 31, Subchapter IV Wage Rate Requirements.
 - (3) MPT for services remains \$2,500, subject to 41 U.S.C. Chapter 67, Service Contract Labor Standards.

ACTION REQUIRED: For MCIEAST GCPC Program Cardholders and Approving Officials the MPT is \$10,000. All purchases over \$3500 shall include FPI/ UNICOR Waiver Letter.

- (1) A FPI/ UNICOR Waiver Letter shall be attached to an approved Government Commercial Purchase Card- Work Sheet (GCPC-WS) for all purchases over \$3500.
- (2) If item/s are available through FPI/ UNICOR, conduct market research to determine compatibility to private sector in terms of price, quality and time of delivery. If items are compatible purchase the item.
 - (3) Procedure if item/s are not compatible in one or more areas of price, quality or time of delivery.
 - (a) The Approving Official shall prepare a written determination explaining the incompatibility and submit it to the Agency Organizational Program Coordinator (AOPC) for Contracting Officer (KO) purchase approval.

IMPLEMENTATION: Immediately 0930 25 January 2019 EST

REGULATIONS AFFECTED: MCIEAST 4200.1A

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