MEMORANDUM FOR GSA CONTRACTING ACTIVITIES

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SUBJECT: Class Deviation from the Federal Acquisition Regulation - Increasing the Micro-Purchase Threshold and Simplified Acquisition Threshold, Addendum for Simplified Warrants

This Addendum to the original Class Deviation 2018-01, issued February 15, 2018, is effective March 5, 2018 and will become part of the original Class Deviation. The addendum automatically authorizes temporary increases to all simplified level warrants, as specified in GSA’s Contracting Officer Warrant Program. The current simplified level warrants threshold caps are modified from “$150,000” or “Up to the Simplified Acquisition Threshold” to the new threshold of $250,000.

Because of the unavailability of the Federal Acquisition Institute Training Application System (FAITAS), this temporary authorization is issued in lieu of new warrants being generated through the system. This temporary authorization will expire 60 days after FAITAS returns to an operational state. To keep the higher limitation, Heads of Contracting Activity (HCAs) must administratively reissue warrants before this expiration date.

This addendum also corrects the response to Attachment B, Question 11 “How does the increase in the SAT affect my Contracting Officer Warrant?” to read:

*If you hold a simplified level warrant, it may contain text limiting the warrant to “$150,000”. If so, the warrant will need to be administratively reissued through FAITAS.*

*Due to the current outage of the FAITAS system, Addendum 1 to Class Deviation 2018-01 temporarily increases your warrant limit to $250,000 automatically. This authorization will expire 60 days after the FAITAS system returns to an operational state. To remain at the $250,000 level after this expiration date, your warrant must be reissued by your Head of Contracting Activity (HCA).*

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