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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Increased Thresholds for Procurements in Support of Hurricane Katrina Relief Efforts

I hereby authorize the use of the special emergency procurement authorities in 41 U.S.C. 428a to increase the micro-purchase, the simplified acquisition, and the test program for commercial items thresholds for the procurements in support of Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. Therefore, procurements made by the DoD in support of this contingency may use the rules specified in the Federal Acquisition Regulation and its Defense supplement for a contingency within the United States. This means that the micro-purchase threshold is increased to $15,000 (FAR 13.201(g)(1)(i)), the Simplified Acquisition Threshold is increased to $250,000 (FAR 2.101), and the test program for commercial items threshold is increased to $10 million (FAR 13.500(e)) for procurements in support of Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.

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