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[Protest against Agency Decision to Terminate Contract for Convenience].. B-188054. August 8, 1977. 1 pp.

Decision re: Kaufman DeDell Printing, Inc.; by Poul G. Dembling, General Counsel.

Issue Area: Pederal Procurement of Goods and Services (1900). Contact: Office of the General Counsel: Procurement Law II. Budget Function: General Government: Other General Government (806).

Organization Concerned: Environmental Protection Agency. Authority: B-185861 (1976).

The contractor protested the termination of a contract for reproduction service for the convenience of the Government. The decision to terminate the contract was based on the agency's finding that it could perform the work in-house more cheaply. The protest was dismissed since it involved a matter of contract administration and was not for consideration by GAD. (Author/SC)

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DECIBION



THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES WASHINGTON, O.C. POS48

FILE: B-188054

DATE: August 8, 1977

MATTER OF: Kaufman De Dell Printing, Inc.

D'GEBT:

Protest of agency decision to terminate contract for convenience of Government based upon agency's finding that it can perform work in-house more cheaply is dismissed since it involves matter of contract administration which is not for resolution under GAO Bid Protest Procedures.

Kaufman Da Dell Printing, Inc. (Kaufman) protests the termination of Contract No. 68-01-3398 by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The contract called for reproduction services for EPA's Washington, D.C. offices. After award it was determined by EPA that it could perform the service: in-house at lower cost and consequently EPA terminated Kaufman's contract for the convenience of the Government. Kaufman objects both to EPA's determination and the resulting termination and to EPA's "laxity" in acting on a settlement proposal.

The determination of whether a contract should be terminated for the convenience of the Government and the proper payment due as a result thereof are matters of contract administration and are not for resolution under our Bid Protest Procedure. Swiss Controls, Inc., B-185861, March 1, 1976, 76-1 CPD 141.

Accordingly, the protest is dismissed.

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