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DECISION



**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES**
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

FILE: B-198355

DATE: May 19, 1980

MATTER OF: Markarian Bros. & Associates 4671

DIGEST:

Against
[Protest concerns prime contractor's procedures for purging prospective bidders from its Government surplus property bidders' mailing list.] Under Bid Protest Procedures, GAO considers propriety of award or proposed award, and not, as here, general allegations that procedures are deficient. Consequently, protest is dismissed.

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Markarian Bros. & Associates (Markarian) protests the procedures employed by Lockheed Georgia in purging prospective bidders from its Government surplus property bidders' mailing list. Lockheed Georgia, as a Government prime contractor, disposes of surplus Government property pursuant to section 24 of the Defense Acquisition Regulation. In its letter of protest, Markarian neither alleges a deficiency in any particular surplus property solicitation nor does Markarian contend that an award or proposed award is improper.

In resolving protests under its bid protest procedures, 4 C.F.R. part 20 (1980), the General Accounting Office will consider only protests involving specific procurement actions, i.e., whether an award or proposed award of a contract complies with statutory, regulatory and other legal requirements. Becker Instruments & Photographic Optics, B-185411, July 14, 1976, 76-2 CPD 43.

Since Markarian protests the propriety of procurement procedures in general and not specific procurement actions, an authoritative decision cannot be provided. Columbus Jack Corporation, B-179526, March 14, 1974, 74-1 CPD 136.

However, we understand that Markarian had been restored to Lockheed Georgia's bidders' mailing list and that Lockheed Georgia's proposed sales are published in the Commerce Business Daily.

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Consequently, this matter is dismissed.

Harry R. Van Cleave
for Milton J. Socolar
General Counsel