

DECISION



THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL
OF THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548

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FILE: B-198970

DATE: June 10, 1980

MATTER OF: Oaktree Films/Columbia

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DIGEST:

[Protest alleging deficiencies in evaluation criteria] filed more than a month after closing date for receipt of initial proposals is untimely under GAO Bid Protest Procedures.

Oaktree Films/Columbia (Oaktree) protests the evaluation criteria used in Request for Proposals No. 3-0-49, issued by the National Park Service for the presentation of Shakespearean performances during the summer months.

We have been informed by the contracting officer that the closing date for receipt of initial proposals was April 16, 1980. Since Oaktree's protest was not filed (received) in our Office until May 27, 1980, its protest is clearly untimely under section 20.2(b)(1) of our Bid Protest Procedures, 4 C.F.R. § 20.2(b)(1) (1980), which provides that a protest based upon an alleged impropriety in any type of solicitation, which is apparent prior to bid opening or the closing date for receipt of initial proposals, must be filed "prior to bid opening or the closing date for receipt of initial proposals." Complete Building Maintenance Company, Inc., B-190996, January 19, 1978, 78-1 CPD 52.

The protest is dismissed.

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