

DECISION

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

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FILE: B-213242**DATE:** January 12, 1983**MATTER OF:** Cal-Type**DIGEST:**

Protest against rejection of bid is dismissed since the agency's subsequent cancellation of the solicitation makes consideration of the protest academic.

Cal-Type protests the rejection of its bid for service areas 23 and 30 submitted in response to invitation for bids (IFB) No. 9FCG-OSP-A-A0798183 issued by the General Services Administration (GSA).

The IFB requested bids for the repair and maintenance of electrical and manual typewriters in various service areas in Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, and the island of Guam. GSA rejected Cal-Type's bid because Cal-Type failed to acknowledge or return an amendment to the IFB prior to bid opening. Cal-Type contends that the amendment created ambiguities in the solicitation and that GSA did not allow bidders sufficient time to receive, evaluate, and respond to the amendment prior to bid opening.

GSA has informed us that it evaluated the solicitation process employed in this procurement and identified problems with the IFB's award provisions. Therefore, GSA canceled the IFB for service areas 23 and 30 and notified all bidders of its intent to readvertise in the near future.

Because cancellation of the IFB renders Cal-Type's protest academic, we dismiss the protest. Stacor Corporation, B-210794, April 5, 1983, 83-1 CPD 368.

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