

DECISION

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

FILE: B-216781

DATE: October 29, 1984

MATTER OF: STC Corp.

DIGEST:

A protest against an alleged solicitation impropriety that was apparent prior to the closing date for receipt of proposals is untimely where the protest was not filed until after that date.

STC Corp. (STC) protests that request for proposals (RFP) No. F08637-87-R0060, issued by the United States Air Force, should have included the clause "Used or Reconditioned Material, Residual Inventory, and Former Government Surplus Property," Federal Acquisition Regulation § 52.210-7, 48 Fed. Reg. 42,102 (1984) (to be codified at 48 C.F.R. § 52.210-7).

Our Bid Protest Procedures require that alleged solicitation improprieties obvious on the face of a negotiated solicitation must be protested before the closing date for receipt of proposals. 4 C.F.R. § 21.2(b)(1) (1984); Flagg Integrated Systems Technology, B-214153, Aug. 24, 1984, 84-2 O.P.D. ¶ 221. The closing date for receipt of proposals was August 30, 1984; however, STC did not protest to this Office until October 11, 1984. We therefore will not consider this protest.

The protest is dismissed.

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