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Comptroller General
of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20548

Decision

Matter of: GZA Remediation, Inc.
File: B-254723
Date: September 13, 1993

M. Joseph Celi, for the protester.

DIGEST

Bid was properly rejected as nonresponsive where the bid did not contain a required signed Certificate of Procurement Integrity; a certificate submitted under a prior procurement does not cure the failure to provide a signed certificate under the current solicitation.

DECISION

GZA Remediation, Inc. protests the rejection of its bid under invitation for bids (IFB) No. DACA33-93-B-0057, issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for closure of underground fuel tanks, Charlestown Navy Yard, Charlestown, Massachusetts. The Corps rejected GZA's bid as nonresponsive because it did not contain a signed Certificate of Procurement Integrity.

GZA states that its failure to sign the certificate should be treated as a minor informality and points to the fact that it has a signed certificate on file with the same office in connection with another recent procurement.

It is well-settled that the requirement to submit a signed Certificate of Procurement Integrity is a material one, and that a bidder's failure to submit a signed certificate with its bid requires that the bid be rejected as nonresponsive. See McGuire Refrigeration, Inc., B-242754, May 31, 1991, 91-1 CPD ¶ 519. The fact that a signed certificate was furnished with a bid on another procurement cannot cure the failure to provide one with the bid for this procurement since the law envisions a separate certification for each procurement. Hein-Werner Corp., 71 Comp. Gen. 421 (1992), 92-1 CPD ¶ 484. Accordingly, the rejection of the bid was proper.

The protest is dismissed.

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