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Comptroller General
of the United States

Washington, D.C. 20548

Decision

Matter of: Robert E. Dahlke; Norma Hackler; Bobby G. Johnston

File: B-266206.2; B-266206.3; B-266206.4

Date: October 6, 1995

DECISION

Robert E. Dahlke, Norma Hackler, and Bobby G. Johnston protest the award of a contract to Polly Montgomery by the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) under invitation for bids No. DTFA07-95-B-00066. Dahlke is a retired weather observer at the FAA. Hackler and Johnston are currently employed as weather observers at the FAA.

We dismiss the protests on the basis that the protesters are not interested parties.

Under the bid protest provisions of the Competition in Contracting Act of 1984, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3551-3556 (1988 and Supp. V 1993), only an "interested party" may protest a federal procurement. That is, a protester must be an actual or prospective bidder or offeror whose direct economic interest would be affected by the award of a contract or the failure to award a contract. 4 C.F.R. § 21.0(a). A protester is not an interested party where it would not be in line for contract award were its protest to be sustained. ECS Composites, Inc., B-235849.2, Jan. 3, 1990, 90-1 CPD ¶ 7.

The protests are dismissed.

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