



Comptroller General  
of the United States

Washington, D.C. 20548

# Decision

**Matter of:** H&S Manufacturing, Inc.

**File:** B-265981

**Date:** October 17, 1995

## DECISION

H&S Manufacturing, Inc. protests the award of a contract by the Defense Logistics Agency, Defense General Supply Center under solicitation No. SPO450-95-C-5414.

On January 3, 1994, H&S originally protested to our Office the rejection of its proposal as late. We dismissed that protest. The instant protest was filed on September 1, challenging several aspects of the solicitation and contract. We dismiss the protest on the basis that the protester is not an interested party.

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 protest is dismissed.

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