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DECISION



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

FILE: B-208298

DATE: July 28, 1982

MATTER OF: Butt & Head, Incorporated

DIGEST:

Allegations regarding restrictive criteria for the technical evaluation and award of solicitation, filed after the closing date for receipt of initial proposals, are untimely, since the alleged defects were apparent on the face of the solicitation.

Butt & Head, Incorporated, protests the proposed award of any contract under request for proposals (RFP) No. F33615-82-R-1714 issued by the United States Air Force.

Butt & Head alleges that the solicitation contains unduly restrictive requirements and is otherwise defective. We dismiss the protest as untimely.

The timeliness provisions of our Bid Protest Procedures, 4 C.F.R. §21.2(1982), require that protests regarding alleged deficiencies apparent on the face of a solicitation be filed before the closing date for receipt of initial proposals. In this case, the closing date for receipt of proposals was June 30, 1982; the protest, however, was not filed here until July 19. The protest therefore is untimely and we will not consider it on the merits. See Center for Employment Training, B-203555, March 17, 1982, 82-1 CPD 252.

The protest is dismissed.

F. H. Barclay, Jr.
For Harry R. Van Cleave
Acting General Counsel