

DECISION

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

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FILE: B-214526**DATE:** March 15, 1984**MATTER OF:** NCR Micrographic Systems
Division**DIGEST:**

Protest concerning alleged anticompetitive specifications apparent in request for quotations filed after closing date for receipt of quotations is untimely and not for GAO consideration under Bid Protest Procedures.

NCR Micrographic Systems Division (NCR) protests that the specifications in request for quotations No. NO0189-84-RQ-0017 were drafted to favor the incumbent contractor and deprive other qualified vendors of the opportunity to compete for the award.

We dismiss the protest.

The closing date for receipt of quotations was February 28, 1984. NCR's protest was received in this Office on March 1, 1984. Our Bid Protest Procedures require that alleged improprieties in any solicitation which are apparent prior to the closing date for receipt of initial quotations be protested before that date to be considered on the merits. 4 C.F.R. § 21.2(b)(1) (1983). Since the alleged anticompetitive specifications were apparent prior to the closing date, NCR's protest filed after the closing date is untimely and will not be considered. Lista International Corp.; Azcra, Inc., B-209093, B-209093.2, October 6, 1982, 82-2 CPD 314.

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