

DECISION



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

FILE: B-222325 DATE: May 22, 1986
MATTER OF: Michael A. Cologna

DIGEST:

Protest that agency advised offeror that only one contract would be awarded under solicitation, and then made multiple awards, is dismissed as academic where the agency canceled the solicitation.

Michael Cologna (Cologna) protests the award of any contract under Request for Quotations (RFQ) DABT35-86-Q-0114, issued by the Department of the Army (Army) for grounds maintenance services at nine New Jersey Reserve Centers. Cologna alleges that before quotes were due, Army contracting personnel stated that only one contract would be awarded for all nine reserve centers, but subsequently awarded contracts for individual centers.

The Army denies advising Cologna that only one award would be made, and reports that no contracts have been awarded. The Army canceled the solicitation because two of the work sites in the RFQ were being awarded under the Small Business Administration's 8(a) program, and the RFQ did not contain a multiple awards clause. A new RFQ without these two sites has been issued.

Our Office will not consider a protest when the solicitation underlying it has been canceled since cancellation renders the protest academic. See Capital Electric Construction Co. of Kansas, Inc., B-220964, Dec. 24, 1985, 85-2 C.P.D. ¶ 714. Accordingly, we dismiss the protest.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Strong".

Robert M. Strong
Deputy Associate General Counsel

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