



Comptroller General
of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20548

Decision

Matter of: Norfolk Dredging Company--Reconsideration
File: B-261290.3
Date: August 7, 1995

DECISION

Norfolk Dredging Company requests reconsideration of our decision of May 31, 1995, in which we dismissed its protest of the award of a contract to Wright Dredging Company by the Department of the Army under invitation for bids No. DACW21-95-B-0030. Norfolk contended that the solicitation should not have been restricted to small businesses. We dismissed Norfolk's protest as untimely filed because it challenged an alleged impropriety in the solicitation that should have been protested before bid opening.

We deny the request for reconsideration because it too is untimely filed.

Our Bid Protest Regulations contain strict rules requiring timely submission of protests, comments, and requests for reconsideration; specifically, a request for reconsideration must be filed within 10 working days after the requesting party knows or should know the basis for reconsideration. 4 C.F.R. § 21.12(b); MRL, Inc.-Request for Recon., B-235673.4, Aug. 29, 1989, 89-2 CPD ¶188. Here, Norfolk does not state when it received our decision; therefore, allowing mail-out and delivery time, we assume it received our decision not later than June 9. Norfolk's protest filed on June 28 fails to meet our time requirements; therefore we will not consider the request for reconsideration.

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