



POLICY FLASH 2010-76

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TO: Procurement Directors

FROM: Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, MA-61
Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT: Acquisition Career Management Program Handbook Change 2010-03; Chapter 3
Federal Acquisition Certification in Contracting (FAC-C) Level II

SUMMARY: The purpose of this flash is to announce ACMP Handbook Change 2010-03. This change amends the experience requirement for FAC-C Level II certification as currently stated in Chapter 3 of the January 2009, revision of the Department's Acquisition Career Management Program Handbook (ref: Policy Flash 2009-17).

In order for the Department of Energy (DOE) to remain competitive with other Federal civilian agencies and the Department of Defense (DOD) in the recruitment of GS-1102s at the GS-09 to GS-12 grade levels, the DOE has adjusted the experience requirement for FAC-C Level II certification from three years of cumulative experience to two years of contracting work experience.

This change does not weaken the capabilities of the acquisition workforce. Instead, it aligns DOE experience requirements with the underlying statute and with Federal Acquisition Institute policy. In addition, it puts us on a level playing field with other Federal agencies that are competing for high demand acquisition resources that are in short supply across the United States. Accordingly, the requirements for the Federal Acquisition Certification in Contracting (FAC-C) Level II that were issued in January 2009, are revised effective August 15, 2010.

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http://management.energy.gov/policy_guidance/policy_flashes.htm.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melissa D. Rider". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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Attachments