MEMORANDUM FOR:  Department of Homeland Security  
Heads of the Contracting Activities

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SUBJECT:  Rescission -- Class Deviation from the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 9.4 (Number 10-02)

1. Purpose:  The purpose of this memorandum is to rescind the class deviation dated April 22, 2010, which removed the requirement that debarring and suspending officials at the Department of Homeland Security enter information on administrative agreements in the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS).

2. Effective Date:  October 23, 2010

3. Background:  On April 14, 2010, the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council (CAAC) issued Civilian Agency Acquisition Letter 2010-02 which authorized civilian agencies to issue a class deviation to the requirements at FAR 9.406-3(f)(1) and 9.407-3(e)(1) that debarring and suspending officials enter information on administrative agreements into FAPIIS.  At the time, FAPIIS was not configured to accept information pertaining to administrative agreements.  As a result, debarring and suspending officials were not able to comply with the FAR requirements.  The Acting Chief Procurement Office issued FAR Class Deviation Number 10-02 to remove the requirement to enter information on administrative agreements into FAPIIS.

Version 3.5.0 of CPARS/ACASS/CCASS/FAPIIS, released on Oct 17, 2010, revised FAPIIS to allow the entry of administrative agreements.  The system underwent testing for one week to ensure proper functioning and was officially launched on October 23, 2010.  Debarring and suspending officials are now able to enter administrative agreements into FAPIIS.

4. Acquisition Impact and Required Component Action:  Suspending and debarring officials must enter any administrative agreement executed between October 23, 2010 and the issuance date of this memorandum into FAPIIS within three working days of the issuance date.  Administrative agreements executed after the issuance date of this memorandum must be entered into FAPIIS in accordance with FAR 9.406-3(f)(1) and 9.407-3(e)(1).

5. Additional Information:  Questions or comments about this class deviation may be directed to Gloria Sochon at (202) 447-5307, or by email at gloria.sochon@dhs.gov.