

**Subchapter 3019.5 Set-Asides for Small Business****3019.501 General.**

(c) Each DHS proposed acquisition exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold, and in accordance with the requirements of HSAM 3019.202-271(b)(1), must be reviewed by the responsible Component small business specialist before submitting the requirement for synopsis. The results of the review shall be documented in the contract file.

(1) The requirement must be reviewed for the purpose of determining whether socio-economic programs should be included.

(2) The Chief of the Contracting Office (COCO) must resolve any disagreement between the small business specialist and the contracting officer on the determination. In no case shall the authority be delegated below the level of COCO. Disagreement between the contracting officer and personnel from the SBA will be resolved in accordance with FAR 19.505. The HCA shall coordinate this action with the OSDBU prior to the COCO's final decision. The COCO must furnish a copy of the determination to the OSDBU.

**3019.502 Setting aside acquisitions.****3019.502-3 Partial set-asides.**

(a)(5) The COCO, without redelegation, is authorized to make the determination. The HCA shall coordinate this action with the OSDBU prior to the COCO's final decision.

**3019.502-8 Rejecting Small Business Administration recommendations.**

(b) and (d) The HCA, without redelegation, is delegated the authority to make the decision and forward the justification for its decision to the agency head. The HCA shall coordinate this action with the OSDBU prior to the COCO's final decision.

**3019.506 Withdrawing or modifying small business set-asides.**

(b) The COCO is responsible for resolving disagreements between the contracting officer and the Component small business specialist. In no case shall the authority be delegated below the level of COCO. The HCA shall coordinate this action with the OSDBU prior to the COCO's final decision.