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Lt. Gen. David G. Bassett
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Subject: DCMA EVMS Compliance Procedures and Metrics Ignore Technical Performance Measurement, Second Request

Dear Lt. Gen. Bassett:

This letter is a second request for you to implement a previous recommendation to expand the scope of DCMA Earned Value Management System (EVMS) Compliance Metrics (DECM) and DCMA EVMS compliance reviews to include the effective use of Technical Performance Measures (TPM).

The previous, attached letter, dated May 16, 2021, cited the need for integrated TPM and EVM. Both the DCMA EVMS compliance procedures and the DCMA EVMS Compliance Metrics (DECM) were silent on technical performance and still are.

This letter adds the citation of DCMA-MAN 2303-01, May 17, 2020. That manual discusses the surveillance category, "Progress Evaluation."

Excerpt from Manual:

6.1.1.2: "This surveillance category is used to evaluate time-phased actual progress compared to the contractual or approved schedule requirements. For example, progress can be verified through evaluations of completed work, work in-progress, materials received, milestones completed, and entrance/exit criteria...Some examples of progress evaluations are:
(e) **Evaluating TPM progress** against a time-phased planned profile."

Again, DCMA EVMS compliance metrics are silent on technical performance. Please correct this omission.

I have copied the DoD IG in this letter. DoD IG is currently performing an audit "to determine whether DoD contracting officials *oversaw contractor performance* and justified award fees paid for cost-plus-award-fee contract actions in accordance with Federal and DoD policies." I have also recommended to the DoD IG that its audit objectives be expanded to determine whether DoD officials also oversaw the accuracy of the *reported* cost, schedule, and *technical performance* and justified award fees.

This letter and the recent letters to the DoD IG may be downloaded from www.pb-ev.com at the Acquisition Reform tab.

Yours truly,



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