# INCURRED COST SUBMISSIONS

Submitting a Quality Report Presented by Laura Davis, Strategic Consulting Solutions, Inc.

## Strategic Consulting Solutions

- Started in 2004
- Based in Oak Ridge, TN
  - Offices in Charleston, SC & Fayetteville, NC
- Focus on Government Contracting from an Accounting and Compliance perspective
- Deltek Partner
- Services
  - Outsourced Accounting
  - Software Sales & Implementation
  - General Compliance (Price Proposals, Incurred Cost Submission, DCAA Audits)

## Agenda

- Requirements for Incurred Cost Submission (ICS)
- Format of ICS
- Deadlines
- Audits
- Getting Started
- Schedules
- Submitting your ICS

#### Incurred Cost Submissions

- Allows the government to determine that they were billed appropriately
- Required for Cost Plus Contracts
- May be required for T&M Contracts
  - FAR Clause 52.216–7 (Allowable Cost and Payment)
  - Omission of this clause does not eliminate requirement
- Not generally required for Fixed Price Contracts

#### **Format**

- Download DCAA's ICE model.
  - Can be downloaded at <u>www.DCAA.mil</u>
  - Modify to match your indirect rate structure
  - First year will take more setup time
  - Not all schedules may be used

#### **Due Date**

- Report is due to DCAA within 6 months after end of fiscal year
- Extensions must be approved by contracting officer
- DCAA will probably not audit for a period of time

#### **DCAA** Audits

- DCAA will audit the submission
- Based on previous audits and perceived audit risk, DCAA will budget estimated time
  - Previous audits with large number of findings will require more budgeted hours
  - Previous audits with fewer number of findings will require less budgeted hours
  - If previous audits have been favorable, DCAA will move to Desk Review, which involves less audit time

#### **DCAA** Audits

#### T&M Contracts

- Auditing G&A and/or Handling Pool rate calculations and verifying correct rates were used
- Verifying hours incurred match hours billed
- Verifying billing rates match the contract
- May verify that any non-labor costs are allowable and reasonable

#### Cost-Plus

- Indirect Rate calculations and their application to the contract
- Direct costs for allowability and reasonableness
- Verifying contract provisions

## **Getting Started**

- Verify that you can separate direct costs from indirect costs
- Verify that you can separate direct costs by contract/task
- Verify that you can separate indirect costs by indirect cost pool
- Verify that you have reliable supporting documentation

## Schedules

- Schedule A Summary of Claimed Indirect Rates
- Schedule B G&A Expenses (Final Pool)
- Schedule C Overhead Expenses (Final Pool)
- Schedule D Occupancy Expenses (Intermediate Pool)
- Schedule E Claimed Allocation Bases
- Schedule F Facilities Capital Cost of Money
- Schedule G Reconciliation of Book to Claimed
- Schedule H (Summary) Summary of Schedule H direct Costs

## Schedules (Cont'd)

- Schedule H Summary of Direct Costs by Contract/Subcontract with Applied Indirects at Claimed Rates
- Schedule H-1 Government Participation in Indirect Pools
- Schedule I Schedule of Cumulative Direct and Indirect Costs Claimed and Billed
- Schedule J Subcontract Information
- Schedule K Summary of Hours and Amounts on T&M contracts
- Schedule L Reconciliation of Payroll to Labor

## Schedules (Cont'd)

- Schedule M Listing of Decisions, Agreements, Approvals, and Description of Accounting/Org Changes
- Schedule N Certificate of Final Indirect Costs
- Schedule O Contract Closing Information

## **Optional Schedules**

- Schedule F-1 Calculate NBV for use of COM
- ▶ Schedule G-1 Additional reconciliation of GL to Job Cost
- Supplemental A-1 through A-4 Comparison to prior period
- Supplemental B General Organization Information and Top 5 Highly Compensated Executives
- Supplemental C Identification of Prime Contracts Under Which the Contractor Performs as a Subcontractor
- Supplemental O Contract Briefs

#### Modification of Schedules

- Addition of Fringe pool as either final or intermediate pool
- Material Handling Pool
- Up to 5 Final Overhead Pools
- Up to 6 Intermediate Pools
- Up to 7 Cost of Money Rates

## Schedule H

- Many of the other schedules pull from Schedule H
- Separate contracts by Cost Plus, T&M, FP, Commercial, B&P, and IR&D
- Should be able to reconcile to trial balance
  - Reconcile type of expense
  - Reconcile total allowable costs to trial balance
  - Verify that all indirect costs are fully allocated

## Schedule J

- Recap of Subcontract data
- Required for contract types
- Schedule should reconcile to total Subcontractor costs on trial balance and Schedule H
- This schedule helps DCAA determine what lower level subcontractors should be audited

## Schedule K

- Recaps T&M Billing
- Distinguish Employee Labor from Subcontractor Labor
- Apply Material Handling/G&A to appropriate non-labor costs
- Reconcile to Amount Billed in Fiscal Year
- Schedule determines if correct hours, billing rates, and G&A were used

#### Schedule L

- Reconcile labor to payroll (941's)
- Accrued Wages/Vacation can cause variance
- Pre-tax deductions must be considered
- Third party sick pay can cause variance

## Schedule N

- Certification Page
- DCAA cannot audit without certification page being signed by company representative
- Make sure date is changed in the text of this schedule

#### **Contract Briefs**

- Not required with ICE, but will request during audit
- Prefers client to submit submissions with briefs
- List contract information such as agency, periods of performance, contract/funded values, modification information, billing information, etc.
- Use consistent format, but is not required to use ICE template

## Reconciling the Schedules

- Verify that the total costs from Schedule H reconciles to the General Ledger
- Reconcile Schedule H Subcontractor Costs to Schedule J
- Verify that H-1 and Summary H balance
- Verify that Schedule A has the correct indirect rates
- Reconcile Schedule K to amount billed/incurred for fiscal year

## Submitting to DCAA

- Due within 6 months after the end of fiscal year
- Can email
  - Make sure Schedule N has electronic signature or send scanned version of that schedule
- Regular Mail
  - Send hard copy with signature
  - Send CD with electronic file

## Submitting to DCAA

- What Goes With It?
  - Financial statements for fiscal year (audited/reviewed)
  - Tax returns for fiscal year
  - 941's for each quarter of the fiscal year
  - Trial balance

## Items Requested at Audit

- List of Work Sites and # of employees at each
- Description of accounting system
- Policy for handling unallowables
- Minutes from Board of Director meetings
- Internal Control Questionnaire

#### Conclusion

- Prepare the submission with complete and accurate data
- Reconcile the schedules to each other and to the general ledger
- Verify hyperlinks are active/working
- Make notes to remember details when audited
- Be able to find data when audited
- Set a goal of future Desk Reviews

# Questions

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