### Type of Service - Attestation Examination Engagement

#### Audit Specific Independence Determination

Members of the audit team and internal specialists consulting on this audit must complete the Audit Specific Independence Determination (w/p 34) prior to starting any work on this assignment.

(Note: Because staff is sometimes added to on-going audits, supervisors should ensure that all individuals who are directing, performing audit procedures, or reporting on this audit as a member of the audit team who are performing as a consultant have signed this work paper. For example, an FAO may add additional auditors (e.g., technical specialists) to the audit assignment or may need to consult with an internal specialist (e.g., industrial engineers, and operations research specialists) as the audit progresses.)

### PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The post award accounting system audit is conducted to examine a non-major contractor’s compliance with the system criteria as prescribed in DFARS 252.242-7006(c), Accounting System Administration. As a part of the examination, auditors will:

- Obtain an understanding of the contractor’s compliance with DFARS 252.242-7006(c);
- Determine if the contractor is compliant with the accounting system criteria prescribed in DFARS 252.242-7006(c); and
- Report both significant deficiencies/material weaknesses and less severe than significant deficiencies/material weaknesses, but require the attention of those charged with governance.

### OTHER AUDIT CONSIDERATIONS

#### POST AWARD ACCOUNTING SYSTEM VS. PREAWARD SURVEY

- The post award accounting system audit (DMIS Activity Code 17741) is performed at non-major contractors subsequent to contract award, to test compliance with DFARS 252.242-7006(c). This audit can be self-initiated audit or requested by the Administrative Contracting Officer (ACO).
- The preaward survey of a prospective contractor accounting system (DMIS Activity Code 17740) is performed at the request of the ACO, to determine whether the design of the accounting system is acceptable for a prospective Government contract awards.
- Auditors should use the information obtained in the preaward audit (the information on the contractors design) to assist in understanding the contractors system compliance.
CONTRACTS THAT DO NOT HAVE THE DFARS 252.242-7006 CLAUSE

Contractors that do not have DoD contracts (i.e., contractors that are 100 percent reimbursable) are not contractually required to comply with the DFARS criteria. Nevertheless, the DFARS criteria are suitable standards to use in determining the acceptability of any Government contractor’s system for the accumulation and billing of cost under Government contracts. If this audit program is used for contractors that have only non-DoD contracts, the language in the audit report shell will need to be tailored accordingly. FAOs needing assistance in tailoring the audit report should coordinate with the region and Headquarters PAS.

CONTRACTS WITH PROGRESS PAYMENTS
If the risk assessment identifies significant fixed price contract effort with progress payments, the auditor should:

- Contact the ACO and inquire whether the ACO has concerns related to fixed price contract billings;
- Based on the risk and discussions with the ACO, determine if additional steps are needed to test compliance with the DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16);
- Consider, for efficiency purposes, incorporating the applicable detailed audit steps from the progress payment audit program (Activity Code 17500) into this assignment for testing compliance with the DFARS accounting system criteria;
  - If incorporation of audit steps from the progress payment audit program is not determined to be appropriate for this audit, discuss the need for a separate progress payment audit (Activity Code 17500); and
  - If determined beneficial to the Government, open a progress payment audit to determine if contractor is compliant with the billings related criteria at DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16).

NOTE: If the FAO determines a separate progress payment audit should be performed in conjunction with this assignment, when planning the separate progress payment audit (Activity Code 17500), to the extent possible, rely on and refer to the risk assessment documented in this post award accounting system audit. A separate progress payment audit report (Activity Code 17500) will generally not be issued when the audit is performed in conjunction with a post award accounting system audit. The progress payment assignment (Activity Code 17500) should generally be closed with an MFR documenting the results of audit and the results incorporated into the post award accounting system audit report (Activity Code 17741).

SIZE AND COMPLEXITY
The size and complexity of companies and their processes, operations, and accounting system capabilities vary. Therefore, auditors should tailor (add, line-out, or modify) the audit steps in this program as necessary based on their understanding of the contractor’s processes and related internal controls and the risk identified in the risk assessment. For example, smaller companies might achieve its objectives in a different manner from a larger more complex organization. Smaller companies may have fewer employees, which limits their opportunities to segregate duties. In these cases, the auditor should consider whether the contractor has implemented alternative methods that are effective (e.g., an outside
accountant’s quarterly review, payroll and/or billing invoices prepared by external service). Inadequate segregation of duties and the risk of error may in some cases, be offset by the exercising of strong supervisory controls by the owner-manager means of direct personal knowledge of the entity and involvement in transactions.

**FULL POST AWARD OR FOLLOW-UP ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AUDIT**
- If the previous post award accounting system audit is more than 12 months old, and/or the contractor’s accounting system has changed, the auditor should perform a full audit. Coordinate with the contracting officer if a follow up is not appropriate.
- If a follow-up post award accounting system audit is performed, modify the audit program to determine if the contractor has corrected previously cited deficiencies and use the audit report shell delivered through APPS to modify and report the follow-up audit results.

**DISCONTINUANCE OF POST AWARD ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AUDIT**
If the auditor determines during the risk assessment that the non-major contractor’s accounting system is so complex, it requires audit procedures contained in the audit program for a major contractor, the auditor should discontinue the audit under 17741 and use DMIS Activity Code 11070 for an accounting system audit.

**GUIDEBOOK FOR 17741 AUDIT**
The guidebook, located on the DCAA’s web based Virtual Information and Publication Enterprise Resource (VIPER), is a tool to assist auditors in navigating through many variations of small contractor environments. It provides examples of audit procedures to consider for testing compliance with the DFARS system criteria related to the variations of smaller, less complex entities.

**Other Planning Considerations**

**Understand Audit Criteria:** Prior to commencing the audit, review Agency guidance that may impact the audit and adjust the scope and procedures appropriately.

**AUDIT REFERENCES**
1. DFARS Subpart 242.7503, Contract Clause
2. DFARS 252.242-7006, Accounting System Administration
4. FAR 52.216-7, Allowable Cost and Payment
5. CAM 14-303e, Trend Analysis of Key Financial Statement Elements

| B-01 | Preliminary Steps |
1. **Understand and Clarify Audit Request:** Review the audit request and identify matters of particular interest to acquisition officials. Contact the contracting officer (CO) or requestor, to clarify any concerns with the audit request and adjust the audit scope accordingly.

2. **Obtain Financial Condition Information:** Request financial condition data from the appropriate CO for risk assessment purposes. Refer to CAM 14-302a for guidance on submitting this request. If this information is not available, the auditor should perform a trend analysis of the contractor’s key financial statement elements following the guidance in CAM 14-303e when documenting consideration of inherent risk.

   **Note:** If the auditor is alerted to information that may indicate unfavorable or adverse financial conditions that may impede a contractor’s ability to perform on Government contracts (e.g., recurring net losses, deteriorating sales, negative cash flow from operating activities, cash flow difficulties), communicate this information to the appropriate CO and adjust the audit scope accordingly.

3. **Issue ACO Acknowledgement/Notification:** Electronically transmit a timely acknowledgement/notification to the ACO/Buying Command notifying them of the commencement of the risk assessment. The expected completion date should be provided in the formal acknowledgement/notification once the risk assessment is completed (CAM 2-305). The acknowledgement/notification process should be within the timeframe and an in accordance with the procedures in CAM 4-104.

4. **Issue Contractor Notification:** Draft and issue an audit notification letter to the contractor in accordance with CAM 4-302.3. Use the notification letter shell at working paper 11b and request a walk-through of its accounting system for the entrance conference. The Accounting System Audit Information Request included with the notification letter provides additional information regarding what the contractor should walk-through/demonstrate for each area.

5. **Prior DCAA Findings:** Review permanent file to determine if previous audits included findings and recommendations that impact the subject matter under audit (GAGAS 5.06). If there were findings, auditors should document this information in the risk assessment and perform the following procedures:

   a. During the entrance conference, ask contractor management if corrective actions were taken to address findings and recommendations reported in previous DCAA audits (e.g., questioned costs, business system deficiencies, CAS audits) that are relevant to the subject matter of audit. If yes, have contractor explain corrective actions taken and determine if additional audit procedures should be included in the fieldwork to test the corrective actions.
b. Document the results of the inquiry and the impact of the corrective actions to the subject matter under audit. (Note: The purpose of this question is to follow up with contractor on relevant prior DCAA audit findings that could have a material effect on the subject matter of audit.)

6. **Contractor Internal Audits/External Studies:** Review permanent file to determine if the contractor has previously provided other studies or audits (e.g., summary listing of internal audits or external audit reports) that directly relate to the subject matter under audit (GAGAS 5.06). If there are no other studies or audits, document that information in the work papers and perform the procedures below. (If you do not perform the following procedures, you must document your justification for the departure.)

a. During the entrance conference:
   - Ask contractor management if internal audits were performed. If yes, request contractor provide a summary listing of the internal audits that would assist us in understanding and evaluating the efficacy of the internal controls relevant to the subject matter of the audit.
   - Ask contractor management if other types of audits or studies were performed by other than DCAA (e.g., other Government audit agencies, consultants, Independent Public Accountants, etc.) that would impact the subject matter under audit. If yes, have contractor explain what type of audits or studies were performed, if there were any related findings or recommendations, and any contractor corrective actions taken as a result.

b. If the review of the perm file or the contractor identifies relevant internal audits:
   - Determine if access to these reports is necessary to complete the evaluation of the relevant internal controls to support the risk assessment or audit procedures related to the subject matter of the audit. There must be a nexus between the internal audit reports and the scope of this specific assignment.
   - Document the results of the determination in writing.

c. If the review of the perm file or the contractor identifies relevant other audits or studies:
   - Obtain publicly available information for the relevant other Government agency audits (e.g. websites for DoD IG or other IGs, service audit agencies, etc.).
   - Make appropriate adjustments to your risk assessment and planned procedures based on reported findings.
d. Document the results of the inquiries including the response received from contractor’s for any request for access to internal audit reports. (If access was not granted this should include the contractor’s rationale or justification for not granting access).
e. Determine if additional audit procedures are needed to address any identified risk. (Note: The purpose of this question is to discover any new audit leads that could affect the scope of current audit.)

7. **Contract Type Considerations**
   a. Determine the amount of Government contracts by contract type. (Include DoD Commercial Time and Material (T&M) and Labor Hour (LH) contracts).
   b. If significant fixed price contract effort is identified refer to Contracts with Progress Payment under Planning Consideration above.
   Note: This information is used to identify potential risk associated with contract types (e.g., labor or material being transferred to or from underrun/overrun contracts, overall monetary materiality risk by contract type.)

8. **Entrance Conference:** Conduct and document the results of the entrance conference (CAM 4-302). If applicable, include a follow up with contractor management on:
   - corrective actions that address previous DCAA audit findings and recommendations and other studies or audits that impact the subject matter under audit.

9. **Document Internal Controls Relevant to DFARS Accounting System Criteria:** Using the framework in WP B-02 if applicable to obtain and document an understanding of the contractor's compliance with the DFARS accounting system criteria including any internal controls that are relevant to the DFARS accounting system criteria. This information should be obtained during the walk through. Any areas of risk identified should be documented, and the necessary audit procedures to address those risk areas should be performed during the fieldwork in C-01 and D-01.
   Note: If a preaward survey (17740) has been performed, consider the information obtained on the understanding of the design of the system when confirming your understanding of the data at the walk through.

10. **Document Computerized Data Considerations:** If the evidential matter obtained during the audit will be highly dependent on computerized information systems, document on working paper B-02a the audit work performed that supports reliance on the computer-based evidential matter.

11. **Document Specialist Assistance/Assist Audit Considerations:** Consider the need for specialist assistance, assistance of auditors with specialized
skills, and assist audits, if any, and that should be documented on working paper B-03.

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<th>12. <strong>Management Inquires:</strong> During the entrance conference, or other appropriate meeting, make inquiries of contractor management regarding knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud affecting the subject of this audit, management’s awareness of allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting this audit, and management’s understanding about the risks of fraud relevant to this audit. Note: This discussion and any data submitted should be documented in the working papers.</th>
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<th>13. <strong>Audit Team Discussion:</strong> Based on the team's understanding of the criteria, subject matter, and the contractor and its environment, hold a planning meeting with the audit team (at a minimum, Supervisor and Auditor) to discuss and identify potential noncompliances, due to error or fraud, that could materially affect the subject matter. The discussion should include:</th>
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1. relevant prior audit experience (e.g., questioned cost, relevant reported estimating or accounting system deficiencies),
2. relevant aspects of the contractor and its environment,
3. risk of material noncompliance due to fraud (e.g., the extent of incentives, pressures and opportunities to commit and conceal fraud, and the propensity to rationalize misstatements),
4. other known risk factors,
5. the audit team’s understanding of relevant internal controls,
6. inquiries to the contractor regarding its fraud management plans and controls

Document fraud risk factor/indicators (see - Sources of Fraud Risk Factors below) that are present and could materially affect the subject matter. If fraud risk factors are present, document specific audit procedures designed to address the increased risk of material noncompliance due to fraud.

Communication among audit team members about the risk of material misstatement due to error or fraud should continue as needed throughout the audit.

**Sources of Fraud Indicators:**

- Fraud Detection Resources for Auditors ([Fraud Detection Resources](http://gao.gov/products/GAO-12-331G))

- GAGAS Appendix Section A.10 – Examples of Indicators of Fraud Risk ([http://gao.gov/products/GAO-12-331G](http://gao.gov/products/GAO-12-331G))
14. **Risk Assessment Preparation:** Using the information obtained in the above steps, prepare the risk assessment to determine the scope of the audit (W/P B).

Note: The Guidebook (available on the DCAA’s web based VIPER) identifies suggested audit procedures that may assist in the preparation of detailed audit program steps.

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<td>Section C-01 is used to determine if contractor’s accounting system complies with certain DFARS 252.242.7006 accounting system criteria. In some instances, the audit program suggests using the same sample to test multiple criteria. If auditors use this method, auditors need to ensure the sample is sufficient to cover all requirements being tested.</td>
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<td>Note: Consider the size and complexity of the company’s processes, operations, and accounting system. Tailor (add, line-out, or modify) the audit steps based upon your understanding of the contractor’s processes, related internal controls and the risk identified in the risk assessment. (Refer to the Guidebook for considerations specific to smaller, less complex contractors.)</td>
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<td><strong>1. Control Environment, Accounting Framework, Organizational Structure:</strong> During the risk assessment auditors through a combination of inquiries, observations or inspection of documents, should obtained an understanding of how:</td>
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<td>a. management communicates to employees management’s views on business practices and ethical behavior (e.g., has management created and maintained a culture of honesty and ethical behavior);</td>
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<td>b. costs are assigned to cost objectives (e.g., written Text of Accounts, description of indirect cost pools and allocation bases),</td>
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<td>c. the organizational structure provides an overall framework for planning, directing and controlling operations. (The contractor’s organizational structure can vary depending on the size and complexity of the contractor. The organization chart may also vary in detail based on the size of the contractor’s organization.) (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(1))</td>
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<td>Based on that understanding, auditors should develop appropriate audit procedures based on the risk and environment identified to test</td>
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2. **Proper Segregation of Costs:** Perform a nomenclature review of accounts in the trial balance. Determine if there are any indirect accounts which appear to be of a direct nature or if any direct accounts appear to be of an indirect nature. Perform testing, to verify the transactions have been properly classified as either direct or indirect cost. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(2))

3. **General Ledger Accumulation and Reconciliation:** Verify costs are accumulated under general ledger control accounts (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(5)) and subsidiary cost ledgers and cost objectives are reconciled to the general ledger (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(6)).

4. **Routine Posting to Books of Accounts:** Verify that the contractor posts contract costs at least monthly to books of account for the period covered by the audit (generally to the job cost ledger). (DFARS 252-242-7006(c)(11))

5. **Identification/Accumulation of Direct Costs by Contract:** If current MAARs 6 and 13 assignments have not been performed (or the auditor determines sufficient testing was not performed in these MAARs) for the period covered for this audit, execute audit steps 6 and 7 to determine if the contractor’s accounting system provides for identification and accumulation of direct costs by contract. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(3))  
   **Note:** To the extent possible, consider leveraging the work performed in the current MAARs 6 and 13 to satisfy the audit steps 6 and 7.

6. **Identification/Accumulation of Direct Material Costs by Contract:** If a current MAAR 13 assignment has not been performed (or if auditor determines sufficient testing was not performed) verify sampled direct material charges for the following:
   a. identified and accumulated by contract;
   b. needed for the contract;
   c. have prompt payments made to vendors;
   d. have discounts applied when applicable;
   e. if issued from inventory, can be traced to issuance documents, priced in accordance with disclosed practices, and issued for current use rather than for intermediate holdings. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(3))

   **Note:** Completion of this audit step will satisfy compliance testing of DFARS criteria (3) for direct material. The auditor should consider performing the above steps in conjunction with D-01 audit step 4; i.e., tracing costs billed to source documentation. Combining this step with testing of direct material costs billed in D-01, step 4, will assist with determining compliance with DFARS criteria (16).
7. **Direct and Indirect Labor:** If a current MAARs 6 assignment has not been performed (or if auditor determines sufficient testing was not performed) verify sampled labor charges by determining if:
   a. the timekeeping system identifies employees labor by intermediate or final cost objective (e.g., contract) (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(9)); and
   b. the labor distribution system charges the direct and indirect labor costs to the appropriate cost objectives (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(10)).

Tracing direct and indirect labor charges through the timekeeping and labor distribution system to validate that labor charges are charged to appropriate cost objectives (i.e., contract or an indirect labor account) also satisfies the objective of DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(3) for direct labor (i.e., accounting system shall identify and accumulate direct labor costs by contract).

Note: Completion of this audit step will satisfy compliance testing of DFARS criteria (3) for direct labor and DFARS criteria (9), (10). The auditor should consider performing the above steps in conjunction with D-01 audit step 4; i.e., tracing costs billed to source documentation. Combining this step with testing of direct labor costs billed in D-01, step 4, will assist with determining compliance with DFARS criteria (16).

8. **Indirect Cost:** Based on your understanding of the indirect cost pools and allocation bases performed in step 1 above, perform testing to determine if the contractor’s:
   a. indirect costs are accumulated in logical groupings and that the groupings are allocated based on benefits accrued to intermediate and final cost objectives. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(4))
   b. interim indirect expense rates can be readily calculated from the books of accounts (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(15)(ii)), and
   c. interim rates are routinely monitored. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(8)).

9. **Adjusting Entries:** Based upon the risk assessment, test a sample of adjusting entries (e.g., correcting, transferring, closing, and credit) for the period covered by the audit, to verify that they were appropriately approved and that the basis for the adjustment was adequately documented and supported. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(7))

10. **Exclusion of Unallowable Cost:** Verify unallowable costs are identified and excluded from government contract billings. (e.g., unallowable costs are accumulated and segregated into unallowable cost accounts) (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(12))
11. **Identification of Contract Line Items and Units:** Based upon your risk assessment, select contracts for the period covered by the audit, to verify that the contractor’s accounting system accumulates costs at the requisite level of detail (i.e., contract line items and units), as required by the contract terms and conditions. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(13))

12. **Pre-Production Costs:** If the contractor’s business is a manufacturing environment, verify pre-production cost (i.e., non-recurring costs) are segregated from production costs. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(14))

13. **Pricing Follow-on Contracts:** Verify that the contractor’s system produces adequate, reliable data for use in pricing follow-on acquisitions. The test performed in the steps above for criteria 2, 3, 12, 13, 14 should allow the auditor to determine whether the contractor’s system is designed to produce cost information at a sufficient level of detail for use in pricing follow-on contracts. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(17))

14. **Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP):** Through inquiry, observation and inspection, determine if the contractor’s accounting system is in accordance with GAAP (e.g., does the contractor have an accrual basis accounting system, dual entry accounting, posts to the general ledger, and generates basic financial reports). (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(18))

Note: **CAS Compliance:** If the contractor is CAS covered, refer to the Guidebook for suggested audit procedures.

15. Summarize the results of this section in working paper C.

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**D-1 Compliance with DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(15i) and (16) System Criteria – Billings on Cost Type and/or T&M/LH Contracts**

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To determine if contractor billings comply with DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(15i) and (16). Use the following steps (expand, line-out, modify as necessary depending on the risk assessment).

All of the steps in Section D with the exception of steps 7 and 9 involve the selection of a sample of public vouchers for the period under audit. Auditors should consider selecting one sample to test for all criteria addressed in these steps. However, in doing so, auditors must be sure they review the criteria they are testing for, and ensure that the sample will be sufficient to test all areas.
Note: If a testing of paid vouchers audit (activity code 11015) was performed in the current period, consider leveraging the work performed in the 11015 assignment to satisfy the steps below to the extent possible.

Refer to the Guidebook for considerations specific to smaller, less complex contractors.

1. **Limitation of Costs or Funds and Allowable Cost and Payment Clauses:**

   a. **Limitation of Cost/Funds.** Based on your understanding of the contractors processes/controls to comply with billing requirements of FAR 52.232-20, limitation of costs and FAR 52.232-22, limitation of funds obtained during the risk assessment using the sample selection:

      (1) determine if the contractor has procedures to brief contracts for cost/funding limitations on its billings;

      (2) validate the cost/funded limitation amounts shown on the vouchers are monitored and updated on a periodic basis;
         
         (Note: FAR 12.207(b)(1) and FAR 52.212-4 Alternate I apply to DoD Commercial T&M/LH contracts.)

      (3) verify the total cost billed on the reimbursement claims (i.e., SF 1035) do not exceed the contract terms (i.e., contract brief or the actual contract/modification if more efficient) applicable to the limitation of cost (FAR 52.232-20) or limitation of funds amounts (FAR 52.232-22).

   b. **Allowable Cost and Payment.** Based on your understanding of the contractors processes/controls to comply with the allowable cost and payment clause (FAR 52.216-7) obtained in the risk assessment:

      (1) determine if contractor has procedures to bill cost in compliance with FAR 52.216-7(a) invoicing, (b) reimbursable costs and (d) final indirect cost rates. This can be accomplished by considering the results of audit procedures applied in D-01, step 1a and steps 2 through 8.

      (2) verify that the contractor is current on its submission of incurred cost proposals in accordance with contract terms (FAR 52.216-7 (d)(2)).

      Note: The completion of these steps will assist in determining compliance with DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(15)(i) and (16).

2. **Provisional Billing Rates:** Indirect costs are billed at approved rates (or rates specified in the contract) at the time of voucher submission. (CAM 6-1006a (3)).

   Note: If the contractor does not have indirect billing and/or bidding rates, obtain a provisional billing rate submission. If the rates have
not been approved (FAR 42.704), evaluate the reasonableness of the submitted rates.

| a. **Using the sample selection**, test the public vouchers for the period under audit, to determine if the contractor is using current approved provisional billing rates previously established under activity code 15500 (CAM 6-1006a(3)). (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16)). (See Guidebook for additional considerations if a 15500 assignment has not been completed for the current provisional billing rate(s)). |
| b. If selected voucher(s) include cumulative indirect cost rates billed during a prior fiscal period, determine if prior year cumulative costs billed have been adjusted for final indirect cost rates (FAR 52.216-7(e) & DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16)). |

3. **Reconciliation of Current and Cumulative Voucher Amounts:**

| a. **Using the sample selection**, reconcile the current and cumulative cost elements billed (i.e., SF 1035 or equivalent information) to the costs booked in the accounting records (e.g., job costs ledger or equivalent, general ledger). (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16)) to determine if the vouchers reconcile to the books of account. |
| b. If vouchers include costs from T&M/LH contracts: |
  1. verify that direct labor hours billed, reconcile to the cost accounting records by labor hours and labor classifications; |
  2. direct labor was billed at appropriate contract rates; and |
  3. material costs (if applicable) billed reconcile to the cost ledger. |

Note: The completion of these steps assist in determining compliance with DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16). |

4. **Direct Costs Billed:**

| a. **Using the sample selection**, verify that the contractor billings include only: |
  1. subcontractor and vendor costs (i.e., direct material, ODC, etc.) that are in accordance with the terms and conditions of the subcontract or invoice; (As suggested in C-01, step 6, testing of direct materials may be included under this step; i.e., tracing to source documents to verify these costs. Combining this step will satisfy compliance testing of DFARS criteria (3) and (16)) and |
  2. ordinarily paid within 30 days of the contractor's payment request to the Government. |
(3) direct labor costs that are reimbursable contract costs. (As suggested in C-01 step 7, testing of direct labor may be included under this step; i.e., tracing to source documents to verify these costs. Combining this step will assist in determining compliance with DFARS criteria (3), (9), (10) and (16).) (FAR 52.216-7 (b)(1)) (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16))

b. If there are significant T&M/LH contracts based on the risk assessment, verify that the employee (and/or subcontractor, if applicable) direct labor hours assigned to and charged in the direct labor rate classification meet the labor qualification requirements of the contract (FAR 52.232-7(a)(3)). (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16))

5. **Other Contract Provisions:** Using the sample selection, determine if billings are based on current contract provisions. The total amount billed should not exceed any contract, work order, funding limitation and other contract ceiling amount or billing instructions. (**Note:** Consider the results of all audit procedures performed in section D-01, for contract terms and billed amounts.) (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16))

6. **Fixed Fees and Cost Withholds:** Using the sample selection, determine if the contractor vouchers contain the appropriate fixed fees/cost withholds by comparing the fixed fees and cost withholds shown on voucher to the contract terms and the applicable FAR 52.216-8, 52.232-7, 52.216-9 and -10. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16)) (See Guidebook for additional considerations.)

7. **Reconciliation of Booked to Billed Costs:** Review and compare contractor’s reconciliation schedule of booked to billed costs (i.e., Schedule I of the most current incurred cost submission) and determine if significant overbillings are shown at either the total or individual contract level. If significant overbillings occurred, determine the cause of the overbilling and discuss the issues with your supervisor for resolutions of the overbilling. (FAR 52.216-7(d)(2)(iii)(I) and (v); DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(15)(i) and (16)) (Refer to the Guidebook for additional consideration.)

8. **Perform the following additional steps:**

   a. **Using the sample selection,** determine that the vouchers are mathematically correct and error free. Verify that all columns have accurate totals showing the computation of the billed quantities and unit prices. (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16))

   b. Determine that the contractor is submitting final vouchers with settled amounts and rates within 120 days (or longer period if approved in writing by the Contracting Officer) after settlement of applicable final indirect costs rates for all years of physically
complete contracts as required by FAR 52.216-7(d)(5). (DFARS 252.242-7006(c)(16))

9. Summarize the results of this section in working paper D.

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<td>3. Obtain supervisory review of the working papers, and draft audit results section of the audit report before discussions with the contractor.</td>
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b. Coordinate with the contracting officer to find out and determine if inclusion of detailed explanatory notes in our report would serve a useful purpose when there are no findings.

| 5. | After obtaining DCAA management approval, hold and document the exit conference in accordance with CAM 4-304. Obtain the contractor’s reaction regarding all deficiencies included in the report, including any that are less severe than significant deficiencies/material weaknesses. |
| 6. | Finalize the audit report and incorporate the contractor’s reaction and auditor’s response. |
| 7. | Initiate appropriate action in relation to noted deficiencies (e.g., re-evaluate WAWF selection parameters for provisional public vouchers, etc.) |
| 8. | If unsatisfactory conditions are noted, follow the guidance in CAM 4-800. |
| 9. | Update the permanent file in accordance with CAM 4-405b. A copy of the documented understanding of the accounting system should be filed in the permanent file as well as a summary of any identified deficiencies. |
| 10. | Brief the FAO on findings and any effect on FAO future audits. |