

## **Department of General Services Procurement Division**

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TO: Purchasing Authority Contacts (PACs)
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RE: Transfer of Authority to Resolve Traditional Bid Protests to Department of General Services, Office of Legal Services

This Broadcast Bulletin communicates the transfer of authority to resolve traditional bid protests to the Department of General Services (DGS). Pursuant to Senate Bill 836 of 2016, sections 126–135 enacting Government Code sections 14659 et seq., effective July 1, 2016, authority to resolve bid protests as set forth in California Public Contract Code sections 10306, 10326.2(d), and 12102.2(g) transfers from the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board to DGS. Pursuant to Government Code section 14659.02, authority to resolve such protests is assigned to DGS' Office of Legal Services. This transfer will not affect bid protests heard under Chapter 3.6 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code (the Alternative Protest Process).

Protests currently pending before the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board automatically transfer to DGS' Office of Legal Services. Revised regulations will be issued shortly.

New solicitations that include language describing traditional bid protest processes should update it to note that such protests will be resolved by DGS' Office of Legal Services.

For questions regarding this notification, please contact:

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