

Note to Readers

The Acquisition Advisory Panel is posting the draft of its report for public comment. The findings and recommendations in the report have been adopted over the 18 months of the Panel's work. These collective findings and recommendations have been incorporated into the attached draft of the Panel's report and will not change. However, the Panel is providing the draft for comment to identify any errors of fact or problems with readability. While the Panel is not required to accept further public comment, we have tried to provide maximum transparency into the Panel's processes through 31 public meetings and through posting materials on our website. ***Comments on this draft should be submitted by January 5, 2007*** and should be addressed to the Panel's Executive Director/Designated Federal Officer by e-mail at Laura_G._Auletta@omb.eop.gov or FAX to (202) 395-5105. Comments submitted through regular mail should be addressed to Laura Auletta, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, 725 17th Street NW, Room 9013, Washington, DC 20503.

The Panel is grateful to the witnesses who testified before the Panel and to the many members of the public who submitted statements. The insight gained from the witnesses and the exchange of views has been invaluable in shaping this report. In many instances, approaches under consideration by the Panel were revised or adjusted based on input from the witnesses who helped the Panel see many different perspectives.