## 8.605 Exceptions.

Purchase from FPI is not mandatory and a waiver is not required if-

(a)

(1) The *contracting officer* makes a determination that the FPI item of supply is not comparable to *supplies* available from the private sector that best meet the Government's needs in terms of price, quality, and time of delivery; and

(2) The item is acquired in accordance with 8.602(a)(4);

(b) Public exigency requires immediate delivery or performance;

(c) Suitable used or excess *supplies* are available;

(d) The *supplies* are acquired and used outside the *United States*;

(e) Acquiring listed items totaling \$3,500 or less;

(f) Acquiring items that FPI *offers* exclusively on a competitive (non-mandatory) basis, as identified in the FPI Schedule; or

(g) Acquiring services.

Parent topic: <u>Subpart 8.6</u> - Acquisition from Federal Prison Industries, Inc.