14.202-7 Facsimile bids.

- (a) Unless prohibited or otherwise restricted by agency procedures, contracting officers may authorize facsimile bids (see $\underline{14.201-6}(v)$). In determining whether or not to authorize facsimile bids, the contracting officer shall consider factors such as-
- (1) Anticipated bid size and volume;
- (2) Urgency of the requirement;
- (3) Frequency of price changes;
- (4) Availability, reliability, speed, and capacity of the receiving facsimile equipment; and
- (5) Adequacy of administrative procedures and controls for receiving, identifying, recording, and safeguarding facsimile bids, and ensuring their timely delivery to the bids opening location.
- (b) If facsimile bids are authorized, *contracting officers may*, after the date set for bid opening, request the apparently successful *offeror* to provide the complete, original signed bid.

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