



Comptroller General
of the United States

Washington, D.C. 20548

Decision

Matter of: Specialty Fluid Products, Inc.

File: B-261657

Date: June 23, 1995

DECISION

Specialty Fluid Products, Inc. protests the award of a contract to Samuel Levine Plumbing & Heating Supplies by the Department of the Navy under solicitation No. N00104-95-B-CM04, a small business set-aside.

Bid opening occurred on January 6, 1995. Specialty filed an agency-level protest on April 26,¹ which the Navy denied. The instant protest was filed on June 8. Specialty's complaint is that Samuel Levine will furnish the product of a large business.

We understand that Samuel Levine properly certified that it would furnish the products of a small business. Thus, this post-award protest simply raises a matter of contract administration, that is, whether the awardee will perform in accordance with contract requirements.² It is the responsibility of the contracting agency to handle matters of contract administration; such matters are not within our protest review role. See 4 C.F.R. § 21.3(m)(1); Specialty Plastics Prods., Inc., B-237545, Feb. 26, 1990, 90-1 CPD ¶ 228.

Accordingly, the protest is dismissed.

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¹It appears that although Specialty's protest was dated March 7, it was not actually received at the appropriate agency location until April 26.

²Had this matter been timely protested to the contracting officer, it would have been appropriate for referral to the Small Business Administration (SBA), for resolution under the SBA's small business size status procedures. See 13 C.F.R. §§ 121.906, 121.1603.