

**DECISION**

**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED STATES**  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20548

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FILE: B-185290

DATE: November 20, 1975

MATTER OF: Indian Made Products Company

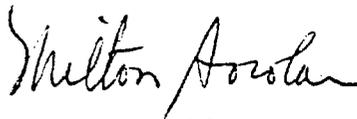
*97698***DIGEST:**

Determination by GSA that protester did not qualify as "regular dealer" under Walsh-Healey Act is not for consideration by GAO since Department of Labor has been granted statutory jurisdiction over review of such matter.

Indian Made Products Company has protested against the determination by the General Services Administration that it does not meet the qualifications of a "regular dealer" under the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act, 41 U.S.C. § 35-45 (1970).

The Walsh-Healey Act provides (with exceptions that are not relevant here) that every contract exceeding \$10,000 in amount entered into by any Government agency for the procurement of supplies shall contain a stipulation that the contractor is a manufacturer of, or a regular dealer in, such supplies. Our Office is not authorized to review determinations of whether a particular firm is a regular dealer or manufacturer within the purview of the Walsh-Healey Act and the related implementing regulations. We have consistently denied jurisdiction in this area since such determinations rest with the contracting officer subject to final review by the Department of Labor. See Corbin Sales Corporation, B-181454, July 10, 1974, 74-2 CPD 21; Trand Advertising Company, B-182212, February 19, 1975, 75-1 CPD 101; F & H Manufacturing Corporation, B-183491, April 29, 1975, 75-1 CPD 266.

In view of the foregoing, we must decline to consider the protest on the merits.

*for*   
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