

Top 50 Equipment Sourcing & Support Actions/Goals

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1. Review DoD sourcing/provision policies to ensure common use items are not automatically included in contractor interim supply/support packages to provide summaries of applicable existing reference approvals for new policy guidance to issue field unit activities.
2. Prepare reports describing field unit events & what changes should be made in provisioning DoD policy so new guidance is issued for training devices to issue economic quantity issue decision rules for decreasing overall cost of spare parts is realised.
3. Definitise DoD policy on when supply system stock support must be used to include new commercial construction so summary of applicable existing references is approved as guidance to field activities.
4. Review existing DoD policies/procedures for making repair vs. buy decision on repairable items and & issue appropriate guidance to field activities so repair/buy decisions are economically sound.
5. Pursue concept of consistent fill rates/Average Days Delay among services as a basis for balanced equipment support funding so evaluation of budgeted DoD requirements achieve required support for spares & determine what additional resources are needed to achieve increased levels.
6. Determine feasibility of competing equipment buys for initially competed equipment so DoD can make competitive buys instead of sole source procurements for spares buys.
7. Establish formal DoD programme to challenge commercial restrictions on parts for existing systems so invalid claims by contractors are investigated.
8. Prioritise & fund review of technical supplier information in DoD planning process so competition is ensured in procurement of spares during logistics support process.
9. Create certification to be included in all solicitations for spare parts requiring suppliers to indicate test assembly so DoD field activities utilise certification to ensure maximum level of competition is attained.
10. Create DoD procedures for field activities to utilise documented certifications to promote competition so information is available during procurement process relative to known sources of materiel.
11. Expand support life of equipment procurement packages permitting DoD to charge suppliers for costs incurred in correcting defective information package so cost of having incomplete/inaccurate information is minimised.

12. Create requirements for equipment contracts giving DoD right to examine review of forward information packages so access rights to all entitled information are considered.
13. Ensure DoD sourcing Method reviews are held to obtain technical specs determining cost/benefits is assigned & demand estimated so maximum extent of competition is achieved in future procurement actions.
14. Create requirements for equipment contracts where suppliers are required to identify costs for DoD to acquire rights to procurement technical information & identify extent of standard commercial product use so maximum levels of competition are realised.
15. Create & test DoD procedures to make breakout of spare parts factor in source selection for major equipment systems w/ incentive arrangements to reward suppliers for cost savings generated by their efforts so lowest possible price for spare parts can be obtained.
16. Establish DoD information system to track success of conversion from contractor recommended procurement specs to fully competitive procurement status & establish benefits of programme versus cost to administer so benefits of breakout programme can be quantified
17. Create DoD policy for contract provision permitting deferred ordering of DoD engineering specs requiring contract review post production so current technical specs are available from supplier for procurement.
18. Create policy document for DoD defining requirement for obtaining technical specs for new equipment system acquisitions so definitive guidance is provided to units relative to obtaining technical specs
19. Include acquisition of procurement information as part of DoD process modification so units can assure equipment specs are acquired for systems requiring modification.
20. Ensure all DoD specs files related to technical support & procurement of equipment contain accurate and up-to-date information so supplier competition in procurement of spares is facilitated.
21. Establish procedures to ensure DoD units provide lists of items that contractors purchase complete from subcontractors & screen equipment items for purchase breakout to subcontractor so possible sources of spare parts can be expanded.
22. Make sure DoD periodically requests lists of purchase-completed equipment items & maintain records of item breakout reviews so supplier competition is expanded.
23. Instruct DoD units responsible for technical reviews of equipment item purchases to require effective examination specs in limited-screening purchase breakout efforts so adequate review of technical specs is performed.

24. Create DoD supplier purchase policy to govern agreements for commercial activities to borrow parts of components for purpose of design replication & assessment of procurement specs packages so policy & issue guidance is assured.
25. For support/sustainment activities, pursue possibility of reviewing DoD use of equipment repair contractors so competitive base is expanded & good deals are realised in repair contracts.
26. Propose changes to DoD standards to include marking of unit packages with supplier specs so breakout is facilitated & requires identification when spare parts are procured from supplier other than design activity.
27. Review competitive procurement for DoD Interim equipment Support Item List so explanation of support concepts are provided w/ exploration of pros/cons for competitive procurement options.
28. Strengthen DoD processes for inspection & acceptance of technical specs by trained engineers to validate with recognised annotation reviewed for adequacy & completeness so advantages of competition are fully exploited by having adequate technical information available.
29. Ensure DoD creates system listing of sole source items broken out to competition for use by all field contracting activities so information is provided to increase the level of competitive procurements.
30. Ensure DoD provides guidance to field activities on incorporation of competition/pricing goals into performance appraisal programme so importance of spares pricing competitions are brought to individual field unit level.
31. Conduct test of DoD ability to add applicable equipment specs & improve response time for obtaining supplier information in periodic field activity announcements so number of potential sources for procuring spare parts are increased.
32. Create DoD in-house operating procedures so field unit advocates are informed of all unsolicited proposals for sole source items & identified source of supply is considered on future procurement so possible sources of procuring spare parts is expanded
33. Revise DoD position descriptions to establish new critical elements so field unit activities are motivated to reduce equipment costs & increase competition.
34. Ensure DoD prepares supplier competition advocate review for field unit activities to include section on availability of projected buy requirements listing so support for generating second sources & competition are dispatched.
35. Centralise procurement of field unit activities for non-standard & unpriced DoD requisitions so overall cost of procuring spare parts are reduced to provide more responsive equipment service/support.

36. Expand DoD policy establishing increased use of multi-year contracts & establish automated bidders mailing lists at procurement activities so increased competition for spare parts is facilitated & costs are reduced.
37. Create DoD policy to phase out redetermine basic ordering agreements so field unit activities obtain best possible price for equipment items at the time it is ordered.
38. Ensure DoD establishes value engineering for field contracting alerts in instances of overhead allocation disproportionate to spare parts value so cost to procure materiel is determined, including cost for local bought stock point to receive & issue.
39. Revise DoD position descriptions to establish new critical review elements so field unit activities are motivated to increase competition for items with restrictive acquisition specs.
40. Ensure DoD Establish policy for more realistic initial estimated prices for spare parts & consolidate buy quantities of provisioned items so impact of inaccurate prices on the materiel budgeting process is minimised & economies are realised.
41. Provide DoD field unit activity buyers with visibility of all interchangeable specs for equipment contract group so possible substitute items & less costly items are identified.
42. Ensure DoD identify instances where field activity units are paying inter-divisional mark-ups & identify cost-cutting measures so suppliers charge no more than other entities.
43. In conjunction w/ implementation of stock funding of DoD repairables, sensitise field unit activities to actions required to get good spare parts price deals so users can avoid paying too much for equipment for meeting requirements.
44. Create DoD capability to evaluate value in costing for materiel & identify overpriced equipment items which are overpriced so formal programmes can be established to conduct in-depth reviews to combat increases in spare parts prices.
45. Direct DoD field unit activities to identify engineering filter cases where intrinsic value is not consistent with established price parameters so mechanism is provided to assess equipment items requiring cost investigation.
46. Establish DoD system to monitor Contract administration pricing of equipment orders originating with field unit activities so response time difficulties are mitigated.
47. Ensure DoD performs comparison test of equipment items priced prospectively vs. after award and report results so impact of pricing techniques investigating other potential suppliers on final price of item is determined
48. Ensure DoD conducts random sample test cases to determine if equipment prices paid increased or decreased so recent validity trends in prices of spare parts guidance reviews are

identified.

49. Create DoD programme to compare & display prices paid for locally purchased stock items reported by field unit activities so tools for receipt, review & reply to price challenge reports are established.

50. Create checklist criteria for evaluating utility of DoD assessment programmes to include appropriate cost/benefit reviews & options for expanding capabilities so field unit activities can objectively evaluate minimum requirements for price determination results.