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OFFICE OF ACQUISITION AND MATERIEL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION LETTER

TO:

Under Secretaries for Health, Benefits, and Memorial Affairs; Assistant Secretary for Management; Chief Facilities Management Officer, Office of Facilities Management, Veterans Integrated Service Network Directors: Directors. VA Medical Center Activities, Domiciliary, Outpatient Clinics, Medical and Regional Office Centers, and Regional Offices; Directors, Denver Distribution Center, Austin Automation Center, Records Management Center, VBA Benefits Delivery Centers, and VA Health Administration Center; and the Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, VA National Acquisition Center

ATTN: Head of the Contracting Activity, VA Contracting Officers, and All Purchase

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SUBJ: Section 508 Micropurchase Exception Ends April 1, 2005

- 1. This Information Letter (IL) is to remind you that the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) micropurchase exception to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended in 1998, will expire April 1, 2005, see Attachment 1.
- 2. An interim rule published in the Federal Register on October 5, 2004, extended the original expiration date of October 1, 2004, to April 1, 2005, with no further extensions being granted.
- For further information relating to Section 508, please refer to IL 90-01-5. Implementation of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 1998 Amendments. dated June 25, 2001.

4. Please direct any questions regarding this IL to Cathy Dailey, Acquisition Policy Division, at (202) 273-8774.

Heard Director

Acquisition Resources Service

Attachment: 1

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