

Attachment J-8

Advance Understanding on Costs

Note: This Attachment will be prepared subsequent to Contract award.

DOE and the Contractor shall, after notice to proceed, reach advance understandings regarding certain costs under this Contract. Such advance understandings enable both DOE and the Contractor to determine the allocability, allowability, and reasonableness of such costs prior to their incurrence, thereby avoiding subsequent disallowances and disputes, and facilitating prudent expenditure of public funds. It is expected that costs covered by such advance understandings will include employee travel and relocation, and employee compensation and benefits. Generally, DOE expects the incurrence of costs to be consistent with the Contractor's corporate-wide policies consistently and uniformly applied throughout its domestic operations subject to the specific limitations, conditions, and exclusions of FAR Subpart 31.2, *Contracts with Commercial Organizations*, as supplemented by DEAR 931.2, *Contracts with Commercial Organizations*.

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