

**AWARD AND EXECUTION OF CONTRACT – CONSIDERATION OF BIDS
(BUDGETARY CONSTRAINTS).
(REV 11-3-15) (FA 11-20-15) (1-19)**

ARTICLE 3-1 is expanded by the following:

For the purpose of bidding, the Department has established a maximum budget of \$ [REDACTED]. This amount is not the Department's official cost estimate for the work but is the budgetary constraint established for this Contract. Submission of a bid under the maximum budget is not a guarantee of Contract Award and cannot be interpreted as an appropriate or awardable bid amount. For this Contract, the Department will reject as non-responsive any bid in which the Bidder submits a bid in excess of the maximum budget amount shown above.

During preparation of the bid, if concerns regarding the Department's maximum budget arise, submit a letter of budget concern to [REDACTED] by [REDACTED]. The Department will review the letter of budget concern and determine its next course of action. This process is established to provide the opportunity for bid proposal holders for this Contract to express budget constraint issues prior to submission of a bid.