

0080604 Prosecution and Progress
COMMENTS FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comment: (8-12-10) Address granting of holidays due to suspensions of 8-6.4 when holiday is observed on a day different from day identified in specs - The way the revision is written, it implies that for a given holiday of Independence Day or Veteran's Day, a Contractor would need to request to work on both the actual Holiday and the Observed Holiday. That's fine, but if the schedule intended on work scheduled for both days, could they be entitled to two Holiday time extensions for each? Perfect example is last year 2009 Fourth of July, where the 4th was on a Sunday and the observed holiday was the 5th. I suggest the text should read "...preceding Memorial Day; Independence Day (or Observed date); Labor Day; the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day; Veterans Day; Veterans Day (or Observed date); Thanksgiving Day; the Friday, Saturday and....." In addition, this revision is a great time to add a statement that clearly indicates that a holiday is not to be granted when the contractor was not planning to actually work. For example, just because Thanksgiving is a four day weekend, if the Contractor's work week is 5 weekdays per week, they should only get a time extension for the time falling in the five day work week, and not get Saturday and Sunday. There is a lot of confusion with this. The suggested change to this section to address this would be: "Contract time for Holidays will be adjusted in accordance with 8-7.3.2, provided the Holiday is on a normal work day as determined in the Contractor's schedule." OR "Contract time for Holidays will be adjusted in accordance with 8-7.3.2, except the Contractor will not be entitled to holiday suspension days occurring on non-normal work days."

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Comments: (8-25-10) The proposed change to this section is appropriate. As a CEI PA working with multiple Districts and Operations Centers, we have received differing direction on how holidays are to be granted based on the Contractor's schedule. Based on the second paragraph of 8-7.3.2 it appears the intent is to grant time extensions on a day for day basis for the duration of all mandatory holiday work suspensions. Some offices require the schedule show work through the required holiday suspension period in order to be eligible for additional time, and some require the schedule show the suspension period. Those that require work be scheduled through the required work suspension period also differ on how time is granted - some grant all days within the holiday period based on the requirement to suspend operations and some will only grant days for the contractor's normal work week. (If a holiday period includes a weekend and the contractor only works Mon - Fri, others will only grant time for the week days affected.) We have also received direction that no days are eligible if the contractor shows the suspension period in his schedule - the reason being the contractor is not eligible for time because he did not intend to work during the mandatory work suspension and therefore there is no impact on the

controlling work items. Recommendation 1: If the intent of the second paragraph of 8-7.3.2 is to grant time on a day for day basis for mandatory holiday work suspensions, separate this paragraph from the method of calculating time for other delays affecting the schedule and amend the reference in 8-6.4 appropriately. Recommendation 2: Amend the second paragraph of 8-3.2 to include showing the mandatory holiday work suspension periods in the schedule. By doing so, the multitude of interpretations should be alleviated and the direct impact of these required suspension periods will be clearly defined.

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