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Mr. Richard Ginman
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Ms. Linda Neilson Director, Defense Acquisition Regulatory System Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy

Room 5E621 3060 Defense Pentagon Washington, DC 20301-3060

Re: 79 FR 8402, Review of Statutory and Regulatory Requirements, dated February 12, 2014

Dear Mr. Ginman and Ms. Neilson:

The Council of Defense and Space Industry Associations (CODSIA) appreciates the opportunity to review and offer comments on the existing body of law and its implementation in the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to help you ascertain the qualitative and cost impacts on the Defense Acquisition System, with the goal of optimizing the acquisition process.

As you note in the *Federal Register* announcement, "[o]ur initial review identified approximately 400 DFARS requirements based solely on statute." Given the sheer quantity of regulations and the scope of your request for information, a thoughtful and serious response cannot be provided in 30 days, as stipulated by the announcement. Therefore we ask for an extension to 90 days, with a comment period ending May 16, to facilitate the collection of inputs from our members with time to consolidate, review, and prioritize those inputs before submitting them to you.

Thank you for requesting our input in this important matter, and for further considering our request for an extension of your deadline. Because of the seriousness of this task, our associations want to provide you with a response that is well-considered.

Sincerely,

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