

BULLET BACKGROUND PAPER

ON

PROCUREMENT OF 150 LB HALON FLIGHT LINE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

PURPOSE

To provide current information on the process required by Warner Robins Air Logistics Center (WR-ALC) to procure 150 lb Halon Flight Line Fire Extinguishers.

BACKGROUND

- A 1998 HQ USAF memorandum to MAJCOM Ozone Depleting Substances Managers directed flight line fire extinguishers be funded locally and management responsibility was to be transferred from WR-ALC to the Defense Logistics Agency.
- As a result of this memo and other discussions concerning flight line fire extinguishers, WR-ALC purchased final "due out" fire extinguishers in 2001 and this was to be the end of central procurement by WR-ALC. At that time fire departments began to locally purchase extinguishers to fill their needs.
- WR-ALC recently had a high-level meeting concerning flight line fire extinguishers and it was determined WR-ALC would resume the role to centrally manage flight line fire extinguishers.

DISCUSSION

- WR-ALC will centrally fund and procure 150 lb flight line fire extinguishers for all USAF fire departments using budget code (A) (BP 12), this is 3010 central procurement money; direct aircraft support.
- Authorizations are established in the Air Force Equipment Management System (AFEMS).
- Installations submit flight line fire extinguisher requisitions for shortages and replacements.
 - Submit requisitions under National Stock Number (NSN) 4210-01-044-1429 (Master)
 - NSN 4210-01-140-2233 (Lime Yellow)
 - NSN 4210-01-332-0793 (Forest Green)
- Local Purchase of centrally procured items including flight line fire extinguishers is not authorized.
- MAJCOM fire offices will coordinate with their Logistics Management Office (LGM), Decentralization of Support Equipment section to identify command wide extinguisher requirements.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Installations validate authorizations in the AFEMS and submit requisitions for shortages or replacement needs. MAJCOMs in turn validate command-wide requirements to LGM.