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The PARC Policy and Compliance Team is establishing a series of "Did You Know" questions that provide interesting facts and tidbits relating to contracting. With some of these, you may say, "Hey, I knew that." For others, the information may be new or updated. Finally, you may decide that you need more information, maybe even a policy, guidance, checklist, a TIPS, or even a training session. Our goal is to send out 3 to 5 of these Did You Know questions every Monday (or Tuesday in this case). Please feel free to provide feedback on these questions to the PARC Policy and Compliance Team.

Here we go!

Did you know . . .

1. . . . that, before awarding a contract in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, the contracting officer shall review the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIS), (available at [www.ppis.gov](http://www.ppis.gov), then select FAPIS)? See FAR 9.104-6.
2. . . . that, when using FAR Part 12 procedures for acquisitions exceeding \$1M in value, the contracting officer shall determine in writing (in the contract file) that the acquisition meets the commercial definition in FAR 2.101? (See DFARS 212.102(a)(i)).
3. . . . that the contract file must be documented if the Contracting Officer determines that an exception at FAR 5.202 applies to the synopsis requirements? See FAR 5.202.
4. . . . that the term, "Information Other than Cost or Pricing Data", has changed to "Data Other than Cost or Pricing Data"? See FAR 2.101.
5. . . . that any questions or concerns relating to policy and guidance may be directed to the PARC Policy and Compliance Office at [DL-409CSB-HQ-CMD-PARCPolicy@eur.army.mil](mailto:DL-409CSB-HQ-CMD-PARCPolicy@eur.army.mil)?

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