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The Honorable Michael Duffey
Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment
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Subj: Request to Change FAR/DFARS; Eliminate EVMS Clause

Dear Hon. USD (A&S) Michael Duffey:

Thank you for your letter to Defense Industrial Base and Acquisition Stakeholders, dated February 10, 2026. You invited stakeholders to suggest Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) changes to help achieve three key objectives:

- 1) Field technology and modernizing systems at a rate that outpaces our adversaries;
- 2) Increase production capacity to deliver wartime surge capacity for key capabilities; and
- 3) put the entire acquisition system and the industrial base on a wartime footing.

You requested that stakeholders submit input to Mr. John Tenaglia and Ms. Kimberly Ziegler at osd.pentagon.ousd-a-s.mbx.dfars@mail.mil. The email that I submitted follows:

Dear Mr. Tenaglia and Ms. Ziegler;

Please initiate actions to eliminate the DFARS Earned Value Management System (EVMS) clause. Justifications are in the following letters and referenced white paper. The documents may be downloaded from www.pb-ev.com at the tabs in the fourth column.

Justification to Eliminate DFARS Earned Value Management System Clause DFARS 252.234-7002			
Letter to:	Subj:	Date	www.pb-ev.com Tab
SecAF Meink	First Use of the Digital Thread and Outcome-based Metrics on the B-2 Program, 1999	2/12/26	Dept. of War
HASC Chairman Rogers	Markups for NDAA for FY 2027	2/5/26	Letters to HASC
USD (A&S) Duffey	More Recommendations for “Transforming the Warfighting Acquisition System” (a)	11/18/25	Dept. of War
OMB Dir. Vought	Recommendations to Request Cancellation of SAE/EIA-748 EVMS Standard	10/12/25	Trump and OMB letters
1. Refers to white paper, Title: Common Sense Project Management: “When you come to a fork in the road...” Download from “White Papers” tab.			

Per the letter, "effort is guided by Executive Order (EO) 14275, Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement, establishing that the FAR "should only contain provisions required by statute or essential to sound procurement, and any FAR provisions that do not advance these objectives should be removed." However, please widen the scope of your letter and the EO to include a FAR provision that is required by statute, the EVMS clause. Then coordinate with Congress to rescind the EVMS statute and with OMB Dir. Vought to remove OMB policy on EVMS.

Yours truly,



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Hon. Adam Smith, HASC	Hon. Mike Turner, HASC
Hon. SecAF Meink	Hon. David Norquist NDIA
Hon. Roger Wicker, SASC	Hon. SecWar Pete Hegseth
Hon. Russell Vought, Director, OMB	Hon. Dep. Sec. of War Stephen Feinberg
Hon. SECNAV John Phelan	Hon. USD Emil Michael
Hon. Gen. Saltzman, U.S. Space Force	Hon. Robert Wittman, HASC
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