

COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY 12193

ATTACHMENT E: GSA ORDER (ADM 5420.46 DATED FEBRUARY 3, 1975),
SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTERAGENCY MEDICAL AND NONPERISH-
ABLE SUBSISTENCE SUPPLY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20405

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GSA ORDER

SUBJECT: Establishment of the Interagency Medical and
Nonperishable Subsistence Supply Management
Committee

1. Purpose. This order establishes the Interagency Medical and Nonperishable Subsistence Supply Management Committee and prescribes its functions, membership, and essential operating guidelines.

2. Background. The memorandum of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget dated June 4, 1974, to the heads of the Department of Defense, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Veterans Administration, and General Services Administration, requested the Administrator of General Services to establish this Committee.

3. Establishment of the Committee. The Administrator, having determined that the establishment of the inter-agency committee requested by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon GSA by law, hereby establishes the Interagency Medical and Nonperishable Subsistence Supply Management Committee.

4. Functions of the Committee. The Committee shall develop a single system for Government-wide management of medical items and nonperishable subsistence. The system will (a) utilize the operational competence and capability for purchasing drugs, medical items, and nonperishable subsistence now existing in the Department of Defense and the Veterans Administration; (b) transfer corresponding purchasing responsibilities currently being carried out in the General Services Administration and the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare to the Department of Defense and the Veterans Administration; (c) eliminate duplication and overlapping of purchasing efforts by fixing in a single purchasing office all purchasing responsibility for a single family of items; and (d) utilize the Federal Cataloging System as the basis for a system of reporting essential usage data on items obtained from other than the central depot distribution system.

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