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Management of Inventory

Procedures for managing equipment (including replacement equipment), whether acquired in whole or in part under a Federal award, until disposition takes place will, as a minimum, meet the following requirements:

- 1. Property records must be maintained that include a description of the property, a serial number or other identification number, the source of funding for the property including the Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN), who holds title, the acquisition date, and cost of the property, percentage of Federal participation in the project costs for the Federal award under which the property was acquired, the location, use and condition of the property, and any ultimate disposition data including the date of disposal and sale price of the property.
- 2. A physical inventory of the property must be taken and the results reconciled with the property records at least once every two years.
- 3. A control system must be developed to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the property. Any loss, damage, or theft must be investigated.
- 4. Adequate maintenance procedures must be developed to keep the property in good condition.
- 5. If the district is authorized or required to sell the property, proper sales procedures must be established to ensure the highest possible return.

Disposition

When original or replacement equipment acquired under a Federal award is no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a Federal awarding agency, except as otherwise provided in Federal statutes, regulations, or Federal awarding agency disposition instructions, the district must request disposition instructions from the Federal awarding agency if required by the terms and conditions of the Federal award. Disposition of the equipment will be made as follows, in accordance with Federal awarding agency disposition instructions:

- 1. Items of equipment with a current per unit fair market value of \$5,000 or less may be retained, sold or otherwise disposed of with no further obligation to the Federal awarding agency.
- 2. Except as provided in 2CFR 200.312 Federally-owned and exempt property, paragraph (b), or if the Federal awarding agency fails to provide requested disposition instructions within 120 days, items of equipment with a current per-unit fair-market value in excess of \$5,000 may be retained by the district or sold. The

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Federal awarding agency is entitled to an amount calculated by multiplying the current market value or proceeds from sale by the Federal awarding agency's percentage of participation in the cost of the original purchase. If the equipment is sold, the Federal awarding agency may permit the district to deduct and retain from the Federal share \$500 or ten percent of the proceeds, whichever is less, for its selling and handling expenses.

- 3. The district may transfer title to the property to the Federal Government or to an eligible third party provided that, in such cases, the district must be entitled to compensation for its attributable percentage of the current fair market value of the property.
- 4. In cases where a district fails to take appropriate disposition actions, the Federal awarding agency may direct the district to take disposition actions.

Legal Reference: 2 C.F.R. §§ 200 et seq.

NDE State and Federal Grant Management Rqmnts and Guidance

Cross Reference: 904.02 Lease, Sale or Disposal of School District Property

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