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Commonly used words and terms are defined in [FAR Subpart 2.1](#). This Part 1802 gives NASA-specific meanings for some of these words and terms and defines other words and terms commonly used in the NASA acquisition process.

Subpart 1802.1--Definitions

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“Administrator” means the Administrator or Deputy Administrator of NASA.

“Senior Procurement Executive” means the Assistant Administrator or Deputy Assistant Administrator for Procurement, Office of Procurement, NASA Headquarters (Code H).

“Contracting activity” in NASA includes the NASA Headquarters installation, the NASA Shared Services Center, and the following field installations: Ames Research Center, Dryden Flight Research Center, Glenn Research Center at Lewis Field, Goddard Space Flight Center, Johnson Space Center, Kennedy Space Center, Langley Research Center, Marshall Space Flight Center and Stennis Space Center. A major program that may have contracts at multiple field centers may also be considered a “contracting activity.”

“Head of the agency” or **“agency head”** means the Administrator or Deputy Administrator of NASA.

“Head of the contracting activity (HCA)” means, for field installations, the Director or other head, and for NASA Headquarters, the Director for Headquarters Operations. For Space Operations Mission Directorate (SOMD) contracts, the HCA is the Associate Administrator for SOMD in lieu of the field Center Director(s). For Exploration Systems Mission Directorate (ESMD) contracts, the HCA is the Associate Administrator for ESMD in lieu of the field Center Director(s). For NASA Shared Services Center (NSSC) contracts, the HCA is the Executive Director of the NSSC in lieu of the field Center Director(s).

“Procurement officer” means the chief of the contracting office, as defined in [FAR 2.101](#).

“NASA Acquisition Internet Service (NAIS)” means the Internet service (URL: <http://procurement.nasa.gov>) NASA uses to broadcast its business opportunities, procurement regulations, and associated information.