

C. FINANCIAL REPORTING

What are the objectives of this portion of the audit?

The primary objective is to determine whether the firm's financial reports for DoD awards:

- Fairly and completely represent the expenditures and status of resources for projects supported by those awards; and
- Are supported by applicable accounting records and the accounting basis used (e.g., cash or accrual).

What are the compliance requirements for financial reporting?

The agreements will specify the frequency and content of the financial reports. They may specify the use of standard forms (e.g., the Standard Form 269 or 269A, "Financial Status Report," or Standard Form 272, "Report of Federal Cash Transactions"). Alternatively, the agreements may specify an equivalent approach of periodic reports, and the reports may include information on both programmatic and business status. The requirements are in section 37.880 of 32 CFR part 37, which is part 37 of the DoDGARS.

Each financial report (and the business portion of any report that also has programmatic information) will contain at least summarized details on the status of resources (Federal funds and any non-Federal cost sharing that the agreements require), including an accounting of expenditures for the period covered by the report. The report should compare the resource status with any payment and expenditure schedules or plans provided in the original award; explain any major deviations from these schedules; and discuss actions that will be taken to address the deviations.

D. EQUIPMENT AND REAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Is a review of a firm's property management system usually required?

No, the IPA needs to review the property management system only if:

- There is Federally owned property associated with the award; or