Request for Waiver to NPR 1400.1, NASA Directives Procedural Requirements

Requirement(s) to be Waived:
The Office of Safety and Mission Assurance (OSMA) requests a waiver to the following provisions of NPR 1400.1, NASA Directives Procedural Requirements.

NPR 1400.1, paragraph 3.5.2.2, "NPDs, NPRs, CPDs, and CPRs expire a maximum of 5 years after signature or revalidation."

NPR 1400.1, paragraph 3.5.2.4, "The Office of Internal Controls and Management Systems shall automatically remove NPDs and NPRs from the NODIS Library upon expiration, unless an NPD or NPR replacing the directive being removed has been submitted for review and approval through NODIS."

OSMA requests a one-year extension to the expiration date for NPR 8735.2A, Management of Government Quality Assurance Functions for NASA Contracts.

Duration of the Waiver: OSMA requests that the expiration date for NPR 8735.2A, Management of Government Quality Assurance Functions for NASA Contracts be extended until August 2, 2012.

Purpose/Rationale: The requirements of this directive must align with the requirements in NPD 8730.5, NASA Quality Assurance Program Policy. NPD 8730.5 is currently in NODIS review. Once it has been completed, OSMA can begin work on NPR 8735.2A.

Conflicts with Other Requirements: None identified.

Necessary to Achieve the Underlying Purpose of the Requirement: OSMA believes that the application of these requirements in this particular circumstance is not necessary to achieve the underlying purpose of the requirements. The 5-year expiration date for directives is designed to ensure that directives are reviewed on a regular schedule to maintain currency. OSMA has reviewed this document and identified the need to update the document; the update must be aligned with the policy of NPD 8730.5A, which is still in NODIS review. Ensuring consistency between the two directives is necessary for proper implementation of NASA quality assurance requirements.

Other Data: None

Additional Risk: None

Environment, Safety, Health, or Security Requirements: This request does not require a waiver to environment, safety, health, or security requirements.

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