| **TECHNICAL CHANGES** |
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| **Clarification** | **Purpose of the Clarification** | **Application** |
|  | **PACE** |
| **Management and Operations** |
| 1. Update language related to first tier, downstream, and related entities contracting to perform key Part D functions
 | Clarified the definition of first tier, downstream, and related entities and the requirement to demonstrate contractual relationships with these entities. | All | All |
| 1. Update language related to required contracting elements.
 | Clarified requirement for language in contracts related to consideration | All | All |
| 1. Update definition of Part D application contact
 | In response to comment, changed definition to match the definition used in the Part C application | All | All |

**NOTE 1: Nothing in the technical changes table increases burden on the applicant.**

**NOTE 2: The Service Area Expansion Application is a condensed version of the initial application.**