

PPD ALERT



GREENING THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH AFFIRMATIVE PROCUREMENT PRACTICES TRAINING

What is Greening the Government?

“Greening” is the commitment of the Federal Government to protect the environment through energy efficiency, recycling, pollution prevention, and affirmative procurement. President Clinton issued several Executive Orders (EO) to implement programs to protect the environment. Procurement Policy Memorandum 23-02, Energy Initiatives, outlined the procurement responsibilities of Greening the Government and started the process of implementing the Executive Orders.

- EO 13101 - “Greening the Government through Waste Prevention Recycling, and Federal Acquisition” - September 14, 1998
- EO 13123 - “Greening the Government through Efficient Energy Management” June 3, 1999
- EO 13134 - “Developing and Promoting Biobased Products and Bioenergy” August 12, 1999
- EO 13148 - “Greening the Government through Leadership in Environmental Management” - April 21, 2000

What is Affirmative Procurement?

Affirmative Procurement is a term issued under the “Greening” EO’s (listed above) to advise the procurement community that they must be proactive in the acquisition of; 1) recycled content products, 2) environmentally preferable products, and 3) biobased products.

How will this impact me?

The procurement community is required to receive training and implement affirmative procurement. Supervisors of procurement personnel will verify that their staff will complete training by September 30, 2001.

How will I receive the Training?

A training module will be made available on the PPD Homepage. A notice will be sent to all procurement offices when the module is available. Anticipated release of the training module will be on or about March 30, 2001. There is no cost associated with this training.