

Commerce Acquisition Manual
CAM Notice 06-02

- 1. Title or Purpose:** Affirmative Procurement Program (APP)
- 2. File in:** CAM, Part 23, Subpart 70
1323.70
- 3. Effective:** December 14, 2005
- 4. Applicability:** The Department of Commerce acquisition community and program and requirements offices that acquire covered products and services.
- 5. Supercedes:** Procurement Memorandum (PM) 96-08, Executive Order 12873, Waste Prevention and Recycling Program (April 12, 1996)
- 6. Implementing Guidance:** This CAM Part implements Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Executive Order (EO) 13101, Greening the Government Through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition, and Part 23 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation. It formally establishes the Department's Affirmative Procurement Program (APP) for the procurement of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated recycled content products. The APP also establishes policy for USDA designated biobased products and other environmentally preferable products.

The CAM establishes that environmental considerations must be addressed during acquisition planning and that it is DOC policy to specify and procure EPA-designated items containing recovered materials to the maximum extent practicable. DOC's annual requirement to report on RCRA/EO 13101 accomplishments is based on implementation of the APP.

All acquisition, program, and requirements personnel should read and understand the attached CAM coverage, including associated documentation and reporting requirements.



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