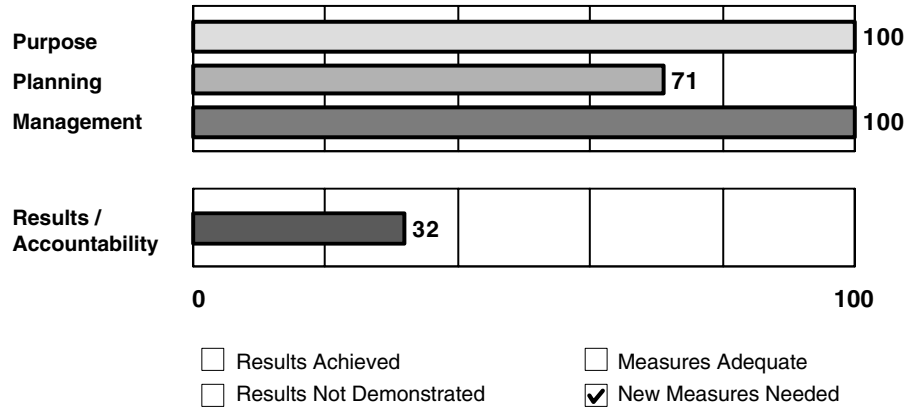


Program: *New Chemicals*

Agency: *Environmental Protection Agency*

Bureau: *Environmental Protection Agency*



Key Performance Measures

Year Target Actual

Long-term Measure: Reduction of hazardous substances from products and processes in millions of pounds (Targets under development)	2007	250	
Annual Performance Goal: Annual quantity of hazardous substances eliminated through the Green Chemistry Challenge Awards Program from 1996 levels, in millions of pounds	2001		150
	2004	150	
Efficiency Measure: Measure under development			

Rating: *Adequate*

Program Type: *Direct Federal*

Program Summary:

EPA's New Chemicals program reviews new chemicals being introduced into commerce (manufactured or imported) to prevent possible harm to the public and environment.

The assessment found:

1. The program has very strong purpose and management.
2. The program collaborates with the Department of Labor on worker protection controls and has a cooperative agreement with Florida State University to identify and develop improved environmental indicators and program performance measures.
3. While the program has to some extent shown results, the main deficiency is the lack of adequate long-term measures. The measures are not outcomes, do not have clear targets and do not include at least one efficiency measure.
4. The PART exercise, however, has resulted in serious attention by the program to develop long-term goals for the program that can demonstrate results for human health and/or the environment.

In response to these findings, the Administration will:

1. Maintain funding at the 2003 President's Budget level.
2. Recommend improvement of the program's strategic planning, including an independent evaluation of the program, which can result in significant improvement of program results.
3. Establish more outcome-oriented measures including at least one efficiency measure.

(For more information on this program, please see the Environmental Protection Agency chapter in the Budget volume.)

Program Funding Level (in millions of dollars)

<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Estimate</u>	<u>2004 Estimate</u>
14	15	15