

BioPreferredSM

Making a Difference with Biobased Products







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Topics for Discussion

- USDA's Role and Strategy
- Procurement Tools
- What you can do now?



What are biobased products?

...commercial or industrial products (other than food or feed) composed wholly or in significant part of biological products including renewable agricultural materials (plant, animal, and marine materials) or forestry materials.



What is BioPreferred?

BioPreferred makes it easy for you to make a difference by identifying and establishing new markets for biobased products.



Why choose biobased products?

- Increase our energy security and independence
- Improve our environment, inside and out
- Improve our economy



Program Requirements

- Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (FSRIA), section 9002 (2002 Farm Bill)
- Energy Policy Act of 2005, sections 205 and 943
- Executive Order 13423
- FAR Updated Nov. 7, 2007



Federal Acquisition Regulations

- Final Rule published November 7, 2007
 - agencies must consider biobased products in acquisition planning and solicitations;
 - new solicitation provisions and contract clauses.



Identified Biobased Products

 USDA has identified over 10,000 biobased products commercially available across 170 items (generic product categories)



BioPreferred Tools

- Sample Contract Language
- Technical Fact Sheets
- Training Materials
- Life Cycle Assessment Overview



BioPreferred Tools

- BioPreferred Product Catalog
- Partnerships
 (e.g., GSA, DLA, Ability 1)









USDA /GSA Partnership

- USDA Advantage
- Environmental Aisle
- Icons for biobased and environmentally friendly products

Go Environmental with GSA Advantage!



Plan to Attend!

2008 USDA BioPreferred™ Showcase and Training

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BioPreferred™ Showcase

April 21-22, 2008

Bio Preferred* Training Sessions

April 22-24, 2008









USDA's Implementation Strategy

- 1. Establishing the Department as a leader in biobased purchases
- 2. Providing support and guidance to other Federal agencies and to biobased manufacturers.



USDA's Implementation Strategy

- Encouraging the use of both designated and non-designated biobased products
- Internal Goal:
 - Increase the number of USDA contracts containing biobased products by at least 50 percent by FY 2012



What can you do now?

- ✓ Learn more about BioPreferred at www.biopreferred.gov
- ✓ Review requirements to ensure that biobased products are not being accidently excluded
- ✓ Include the requirement of biobased products in solicitations



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