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PURCHASE CARD ALERT NUMBER 47

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THIS ALERT IS APPLICABLE TO:

APPROVING OFFICIALS

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SUBJECT: Suspension of IBM Corporation

The purpose of this Purchase Card Alert is to advise purchase card account holders that on March 27, 2008, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) suspended IBM from doing business with the Federal Government. This suspension has the immediate effect of precluding the use of the Purchase Card to acquire goods or services from IBM.

Accordingly, you may not use your purchase card to acquire goods or services from IBM. This includes all acquisitions from this vendor, including software and hardware products, as well as maintenance and other services. This prohibition applies not only to direct purchases from IBM, but also to purchases made under GSA schedules or where IBM is a subcontractor.

Full details concerning the suspension are set forth in Subpart 9.4 of the FAR:

- Section 9.405 describes the effects of the suspension;
- Section 9.405-1 addresses the continuation of current contracts; and
- Section 9.405-2 covers restrictions on subcontracting

This change is effective immediately and will remain in effect until superseded, cancelled, or incorporated into AI105.

If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Nelson at (703) 695-8921.

We hope you will continue to tell us when we are doing a good job of satisfying your needs as well as when we need to improve our efforts. You may submit your comments through the ICE Program at [ICE Purchase Card Program](#) or send them directly to the Program Manager at Claudia.colvin@whs.mil.