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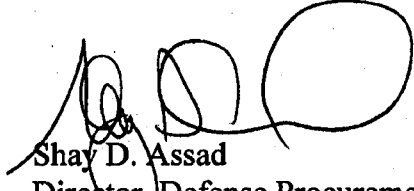
SUBJECT: Implementation of the new FAR Biobased Products Preference Program Rule
(FAR Case 2004-032)

The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Final Rule for Biobased Products Preference Program was published in the Federal Register on November 7, 2007 and became effective on December 7, 2007. FAR Subpart 23.4 has been rewritten to incorporate a preference for USDA-designated items, along with EPA designated items that are or can be made with biobased materials.

Contracting officers are required to insert the provision, 52.223-1, Biobased Product Certification, in solicitations that require the delivery or specify the use of USDA-designated items or insert the clause at 52.223-2, Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts in services or construction solicitations and contracts unless the contract will not involve the use of USDA-designated items. See <http://www.biobased.oce.usda.gov> or <http://www.ofee.gov/gp/bioprod.asp> for listing of designated items.

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