

## 11.602 General.

(a) Under Title I of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App.2061, *et seq.*), the President is authorized to require preferential acceptance and performance of contracts and orders supporting certain approved *national defense* and energy programs and to allocate materials, services, and facilities in such a manner as to promote these *approved programs*.

(b) The President delegated the priorities and allocations authorities of the Defense Production Act in Executive Order 12919. As part of that delegation, the President designated the Secretary of Commerce to administer the DPAS. For more information, check the DPAS website at:  
<https://www.bis.doc.gov/index.php/other-areas/strategic-industries-and-economic-security-sies/defense-priorities-a-allocations-system-program-dpas>.

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