

# Subpart 2823.4—Use of Recovered Materials and Biobased Products

**Parent topic:** PART 2823—ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY, RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY, AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

## **2823.404 Agency affirmative procurement programs.**

### **2823.404-70 Affirmative procurement program for recycled materials.**

(a) *Recovered materials preference program.* Preference will be given to procuring and using products containing recovered materials rather than products made with virgin materials when adequate competition exists, and when price, performance, and availability are equal.

(b) *Promotion program.* The Department of Justice Environmental Executive (DOJEE) has primary responsibility for actively promoting the acquisition of products containing recycled materials throughout DOJ. Technical and procurement personnel will cooperate with the DOJEE to actively promote DOJ's Affirmative Procurement Program.

(c) *Procedures for vendor estimation, verification, and certification—*

(1) *Estimation.* The contractor shall provide estimates of the total percentage(s) of recovered materials for Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated items used in products or services provided.

(2) *Certification.* Contracting officers shall provide copies of all vendor and subcontractor certifications required by FAR 23.404 to the DOJEE.

(3) *Verification.* The DOJEE is responsible for periodically reviewing vendor certification documents and waivers as part of the annual review and monitoring process to determine if DOJ is in compliance with EOs 13101 and 13693 and any subsequent amendments.

## **2823.405 Procedures.**

The contracting officer is the approving official for justifications made pursuant to FAR 23.405(b)(2).