

# FARM AND FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT DIVISION

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## PREFERENCE FOR BIOPREFERRED ITEMS

### A BACKGROUND

BioPreferred, formally the Federal Biobased Products Preferred Procurement Program, is a procurement preference program that serves to increase the procurement and use of biobased products by Federal agencies. Under Section 9002 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (2002 Farm Bill), agencies are required to establish a procurement preference program for the purchase of BioPreferred products identified by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) within one year of item designation. Departmental Regulation 5023-002 provides USDA guidance in regard to the department's BioPreferred program.

### B ACTION

Offices are required to acquire BioPreferred products where applicable. There are presently 6 commodities identified as subject to the BioPreferred program:

- \* Mobile equipment hydraulic fluid
- \* Roof coatings
- \* Water tank coatings
- \* Diesel fuel additives
- \* Penetrating lubricants
- \* Bedding, linens and towels

The list is subject to additions, deletions and modifications. Users are encouraged to see <http://www.usda.gov/procurement/programs/biobased.htm> for the latest information on the BioPreferred program.

### C EXPIRATION DATE

This Notice will expire when the policy contained herein is included in the AMD Procurement Policy Handbook.