

## Self Test

### Topic 3 – Circle the correct answer

#### Who is Required to Purchase Biobased Products?

1. Procurement preference should be given to a biobased item within the Designated Item based on the following 3 criteria:
  - a) it meets performance standards, is available within a reasonable time and is available at a reasonable price.
  - b) it contains biological products, is water-based, and the price is not more than 10% above the GSA pricing index.
  - c) content is more than 90% biobased, it is available within 10 days, and has a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) on file.
  - d) it is made in the USA, is available within a reasonable time, and the vendor is classified as an 8(a) small business.
  
2. Designated Biobased Items are important because:
  - a) the products within those items are not eligible to receive a procurement preference, the biobased content does not meet USDA standards, and their use must be reported.
  - b) the products within those items are eligible to receive a vendor discount, the biobased content is clearly labeled, and their use must be tracked.
  - c) the products within those items are eligible to receive a procurement preference, the biobased content meets USDA standards, and their use must be tracked.
  - d) the products within those items are eligible to receive a procurement preference, the biobased content has been reviewed by USDA, and their use is mandatory where applicable.
  
3. The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 requires Federal agencies to:
  - a) establish green buying programs.
  - b) purchase designated biobased products.
  - c) use biobased products in every field office.
  - d) buy recycled farm equipment.

4. Examples of biobased products include:
  - a) corn oil, soy ink, and ethanol
  - b) carpet backing, insulating foams, and plastic forks
  - c) sugarcane, wood shavings and adhesives
  - d) all of the above
  
5. The Final Rule requires Federal agencies to establish an affirmative procurement preference program by January 11, 2006 and it shall contain:
  - a) a preference for purchasing designated items.
  - b) a promotion program to promote the use of soy based ink.
  - c) provisions for the annual review and monitoring of the requirements officials.
  - d) testing programs to evaluate the effectiveness of the products purchased.
  
6. An identified Item that becomes a Designated Item means that USDA has:
  - a) banned the use of that product.
  - b) identified and established the minimum biobased content for that Item.
  - c) negotiated a government-wide price with the vendor for that Item.
  - d) tested the Item and found it to be an excellent substitute for other similar Items.
  
7. Biobased products are environmentally friendly because:
  - a) everything that isn't used gets fed to the livestock, so there is no waste.
  - b) their use minimizes the negative environmental impact as opposed to the use of fossil energy based products.
  - c) they decompose quickly in landfills.
  - d) all of the above.
  
8. If we increase the use of biobased products, we will
  - a) reduce the volume of waste in the landfills.
  - b) enjoy healthier and safer work places.
  - c) decrease US reliance on foreign oil and natural gas.
  - d) all of the above.

9. Federal purchasing of biobased products is important because it increases:
- a) the selection of goods and services available to use in contracts.
  - b) the manufacturing standards of biobased products in the US.
  - c) the price.
  - d) economic development in Rural America by creating new markets for agricultural products.
10. Biobased Products are commercial or industrial products that are composed in whole, or in significant part of:
- a) biological products
  - b) renewable domestic agricultural materials
  - c) forestry materials
  - d) all of the above