

## August 26, 2010 Procurement Subcommittee summary

- I. Update on specifications and discussion of potential categories and items for Year 3: The subcommittee did not draft or review any new green specifications at this meeting. The subcommittee discussed procedures for developing the annual targets for new green procurement categories and specifications in the third year of EO4 implementation. The subcommittee also evaluated which items from Year 2 were complete or close to completion, and determined that several items that were not close to completion would be appropriate to continue during Year 3. The subcommittee anticipates that an Interagency Committee meeting would be held in October, by which time it will finalize several specifications. The subcommittee would continue to develop a Year 3 list for presentation to the Interagency Committee.
  
- II. Review of Advisory Council Recommendation on Chemicals
  - a. The subcommittee discussed and made edits to a draft document prepared by DEC pertaining to the recommendation.
  - b. Members discussed the advantages and disadvantages of adopting, as the Advisory Council recommended, a “list” of chemicals, versus an approach that refers to certain lists that would be used as resources when developing specifications. Several members advocated that adoption of the latter approach would eliminate the need to continually update any separate New York list.
  - c. Members discussed several alternatives when considering which lists to utilize when considering chemicals. The Advisory Council recommendation created an independent list that was based in part upon the EPA’s Waste Minimization Priority List and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services National Toxicology Program, 11<sup>th</sup> Report on Carcinogens, List of Chemicals Known and Reasonably Anticipated to be Human Carcinogens. The Advisory Council’s list also included additional chemicals identified by the EPA in its Action Plans under the Toxic Substances Control Act. Members discussed whether to include all chemicals for which EPA develops Action Plans under TSCA, given that such Action Plans are being developed in an ongoing process. In addition to the lists developed by the federal government, some discussion was devoted to California’s Proposition 65 List.
  - d. Members concluded that additional discussion was needed at a future meeting after the revised document was circulated to all members for further review.