

## 23.202 Policy.

(a) *Introduction.* The Government's policy is to acquire *supplies* and services that promote a clean energy economy that increases our Nation's energy security, safeguards the health of our environment, and reduces greenhouse gas emissions from direct and indirect Federal activities. To implement this policy, Federal *acquisitions* will foster markets for sustainable technologies, *products*, and services. This policy extends to all *acquisitions*, including those below the *simplified acquisition threshold* and those at or below the *micro-purchase threshold* (including those made with a Government purchase card).

(b) *Water-efficient.* In accordance with Executive Order 13514, dated October 5, 2009, Federal Leadership in *Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance*, it is the policy and objective of the Government to use and manage water through water-efficient means by—

(1) Reducing potable *water consumption intensity* to include low-flow fixtures and efficient cooling towers;

(2) Reducing agency, industry, landscaping, and agricultural water consumption; and

(3) Storm water management in accordance with section 438 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (42 U.S.C.17094) as implemented in

<https://www.epa.gov/nps/stormwater-management-federal-facilities-under-section-438-energy-independence-and-security-act>.

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