

TO: Michael E. Marshall
Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: Nancy J. Richardson, Director
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RE: Recycled Content Plastic Bag and Soy Inks Report

As required in Iowa Code section 307.21, I am pleased to report the following summary of purchasing activity for soy based inks and recycled content trash bags. The figures are for fiscal year 2002.

SOY BASED INKS

The department purchased \$2,481.84 worth of soy based printing inks. This figure represents 79.2 percent of the ink we purchase. The remaining purchases were for inks where equipment requirements prevent use of soy ink.

RECYCLED GARBAGE CAN LINERS

Iowa Code section 18.18(1)(c) requires that a minimum of 50 percent of garbage can liner purchases shall be recycled content plastic garbage can liners. The department purchased \$50,151.92 worth of recycled content plastic garbage can liners. This represents 99 percent of garbage can liner purchases.