

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.