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The FED's throw their support behind Bio-Preferred Products

If you sell to government agencies, you should know that starting in June 2009, federal–government agencies and their contractors are required to give procurement preference to cleaning and janitorial products that have been designated as BioPreferredSM. The USDA is in charge of the BioPreferred program that currently lists over 700 bio-based products under several bio-based product categories.



View this Government Fact Sheet on the Purchasing Preference of Bio-Based Products.

www.ofee.gov/gp/buybiobased.pdf

Plant Power Products are bio-based products that use raw materials derived from agricultural resources grown in the U.S.A.

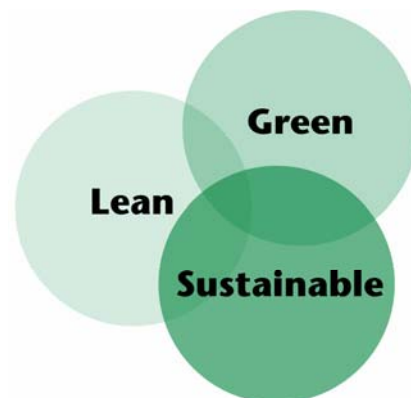


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'Leaning Up the Cleaning Process'

A feature article in the August issue of Cleaning Management Magazine by Mike Tarvin of Multi-Clean discusses ways to improve performance and reduce cost of cleaning operations with a systems-thinking approach toward sustainability.

[Click Here](#) to Read the Article



ISSA 2009 is Oct 6-9 in Chicago



We hope you plan on visiting the ISSA show and of course visiting the Multi-Clean booth at booth #4219. To make the most of your ISSA experience, the ISSA website has several useful planning tools available to attendees. One tool is the digital booth, where you can view what will be featured at the booth and location on the show floor.

View the Multi-Clean digital booth by [CLICKING HERE](#)



Green Cleaning Solutions Tip of the Month by Vince Fagan

Starting with this issue Multi-Clean and Fagan Solutions will offer a green recovery tip. The green recovery tip is offered to everyone as another means of letting each of our readers know how to go green at low cost or no cost levels. The tip will not always be just for cleaning products or equipment but as the United States Green Building Council advises; implement an integrative approach to maximize green savings in your building.

Historically, floorkeepers put down 3 – 4 coats of floor finish after stripping and strip each year. The green approach is to lay down 6 – 12 coats of finish. Put the most coats at the entrance and areas of high traffic and the lesser amount of coats further back into the building where there is less traffic. The secret is 15 feet of matting at each entrance to trap up to 80 % of the track in dirt. Just top scrub and re-coat for the next three years and save on labor, materials and product. Use Multi-Clean's Certified Floor Care System (Ultra Stripper, Clear Essence Seal/Finish and Century Maintenance Cleaner) and be green about it!

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