

principal advisor to the President and the Administration on IP through the Secretary of Commerce, and/or USPTO's role as a technical advisor to Congress on IP.

Respondents may address any (or none) of the following questions. When possible, respondents should identify which question(s) relate to their comments. Respondents may organize their submissions in any manner.

In particular, the USPTO seeks the following information:

1. Please identify the biggest challenges to, and opportunities for, commercialization of innovation through use of the intellectual property system. Please identify what concrete measures the USPTO can take to help.

2. Are there any IP-related challenges or opportunities that are specific to commercializing green technology and climate technologies? Please identify what concrete measures the USPTO can take to help.

3. Are there any IP-related challenges or opportunities that are specific to commercializing critical and emerging technologies? Please identify what concrete measures the USPTO can take to help.

4. Please identify any changes to IP policies and practices that may help streamline or accelerate commercialization of IP in general.

5. Please identify any changes to IP policies and practices that may help streamline or accelerate commercialization of green technology and climate technologies.

6. Please identify any changes to IP policies and practices that may help streamline or accelerate commercialization of critical and emerging technologies.

7. Please identify any IP-related challenges that interested parties face when licensing or acquiring technologies and identify any changes in the law, policies or practices which could help alleviate these challenges.

8. Please identify challenges that interested parties face when attempting to identify potential licensees, and when licensing intellectual property. Please identify any changes in the law, policies or practices that could help alleviate these challenges.

9. Please provide any feedback on the USPTO's Patents 4 Partnerships²⁵ platform, including any experience with the same, whether it should be expanded to include patents across all sectors, and any comments on how it can otherwise be improved. Please also identify what additional, concrete

measures the USPTO can take to better facilitate connections between innovators and funders.

10. Please provide any feedback on the WIPO GREEN²⁶ initiative including any experience with the same and any comments on how the USPTO may better leverage its role as a partner to enhance the success and influence of the initiative.

11. Please identify opportunities for the USPTO to minimize any current challenges related to commercialization for certain persons, technologies, industries, or companies. If available, please provide supporting data that illustrates the impact of these challenges on those select groups.

12. Please identify opportunities for the USPTO to help underrepresented groups, individual inventors, and small and medium-sized enterprises to gain enhanced awareness of and access to resources for commercializing their innovations and suggest ways to overcome existing challenges that undermine the realization of this goal.

13. Please identify opportunities for the USPTO to expand research commercialization opportunities through IP rights for MSIs, and HBCUs, including any data or information related to the development of research commercialization at these institutions.

14. Please identify any role that the USPTO can play in incentivizing innovations in commercially viable technologies.

15. Are there any laws or practices in other countries that are effective in bringing IP to market? If so, please identify, explain, and indicate how they can be adapted to be applied within the framework of the U.S. patent law, or explain what new legislation would be needed.

Katherine K. Vidal,

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action delete product(s) and service(s) to the Procurement List that were furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

DATES: *Date added to and deleted from the Procurement List:* April 14, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 355 E Street SW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael R. Jurkowski, Telephone: (703) 785-6404, or email CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Deletions

On 2/9/2024, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notice of proposed deletions from the Procurement List. This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503 (a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3.

After consideration of the relevant matter presented, the Committee has determined that the product(s) and service(s) listed below are no longer suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 8501-8506 and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.

2. The action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the product(s) and service(s) to the Government.

3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 8501-8506) in connection with the product(s) and service(s) deleted from the Procurement List.

End of Certification

Accordingly, the following product(s) and service(s) are deleted from the Procurement List:

Product(s)

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

7510-01-664-8784—DAYMAX System, 2023 Calendar Pad, Type I

7510-01-664-8815—DAYMAX System, 2023, Calendar Pad, Type II

Authorized Source of Supply: Anthony Wayne Rehabilitation Ctr for Handicapped and Blind, Inc., Fort

²⁵ <https://developer.uspto.gov/ipmarketplace/search/platform>.

²⁶ <https://www3.wipo.int/wipogreen/en/>.

Wayne, IN
Contracting Activity: GSA/FAS ADMIN
 SVCS ACQUISITION BR(2, NEW YORK,
 NY

NSN(s)—Product Name(s): 7520-00-8LP-
 6520—Pen, Ballpoint, “Navy”, White
Designated Source of Supply: The Arkansas
 Lighthouse for the Blind, Little Rock, AR
Contracting Activity: U S FLEET FORCES
 COMMAND, NORFOLK, VA

Service(s)

Service Type: Tool and MRO Sourcing and
 Fulfillment Services

Mandatory for: USPFO Connecticut, Army
 National Guard, National Guard
 Bureau, 360 Broad Street, Hartford, CT
Authorized Source of Supply: Industries for
 the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc.,
 West Allis, WI

Contracting Activity: DEPT OF THE ARMY,
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Service Type: Furniture Design,
 Configuration and Installation

Mandatory for: U.S. Department of the
 Interior, OS Office, Herndon Atrium
 Building, 381 Elden Street, Herndon, VA
Authorized Source of Supply: Industries for
 the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc.,
 West Allis, WI

Contracting Activity: DEPARTMENTAL
 OFFICES, IBC ACQ SVCS
 DIRECTORATE (00004)

Service Type: Medical Transcription
Mandatory for: Department of the Navy,
 Naval Medical Center San Diego
 (NMCS), 34800 Bob Wilson Drive, San
 Diego, CA

Authorized Source of Supply: Lighthouse for
 the Blind of Houston, Houston, TX

Contracting Activity: DEPT OF THE NAVY,
 NAVAL MEDICAL CENTER SAN DIEGO
 CA

Service Type: Mailroom Operation
Mandatory for: Federal Deposit Insurance
 Corporation: 1910 Pacific Avenue,
 Dallas, TX

Authorized Source of Supply: Dallas
 Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc., Dallas, TX

Contracting Activity: HEALTH AND HUMAN
 SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF, DEPT OF
 HHS

Service Type: Mailroom Operation
Mandatory for: Department of Health and
 Human Services: Program Support
 Center Headquarters, Dallas, TX

Authorized Source of Supply: Dallas
 Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc., Dallas, TX

Contracting Activity: HEALTH AND HUMAN
 SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF, DEPT OF
 HHS

Service Type: Grounds Maintenance/
 Vegetation Control

Mandatory for: US Navy, Housing and
 Station Areas, Naval Air Station Fallon,
 4755 Pasture Road, Fallon, NV

Authorized Source of Supply: PRIDE
 Industries, Roseville, CA

Contracting Activity: DEPT OF THE NAVY,
 NAVFAC SOUTHWEST

Service Type: Janitorial/Custodial
Mandatory for: US Navy, Naval and Marine
 Corps Reserve Center, 7117 West Plank
 Road, Peoria, IL

Authorized Source of Supply: Community

Workshop and Training Center, Inc.,
 Peoria, IL
Contracting Activity: DEPT OF THE NAVY,
 NAVAL FAC ENGINEERING CMD MID
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Michael R. Jurkowski,

Director, Business Operations.

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**COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM
 PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR
 SEVERELY DISABLED**

**Procurement List; Proposed Additions
 and Deletions**

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From
 People Who Are Blind or Severely
 Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to and
 deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing
 to add product(s) to the Procurement
 List that will be furnished by nonprofit
 agencies employing persons who are
 blind or have other severe disabilities,
 and deletes product(s) previously
 furnished by such agencies.

DATES: Comments must be received on
 or before: April 14, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase
 From People Who Are Blind or Severely
 Disabled, 355 E Street SW, Suite 325,
 Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For
 further information or to submit
 comments contact: Michael R.
 Jurkowski, Telephone: (703) 785-6404,
 or email CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This
 notice is published pursuant to 41
 U.S.C. 8503(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its
 purpose is to provide interested persons
 an opportunity to submit comments on
 the proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the
 proposed additions, the entities of the
 Federal Government identified in this
 notice will be required to procure the
 product(s) listed below from nonprofit
 agencies employing persons who are
 blind or have other severe disabilities.

The following product(s) are proposed
 for addition to the Procurement List for
 production by the nonprofit agencies
 listed:

Product(s)

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):
 4210-01-387-1392—Rake, Collapsible,
 Forest Fire

Authorized Source of Supply: BESTWORK
 INDUSTRIES FOR THE BLIND, INC.,
 Cherry Hill, NJ

Contracting Activity: DEFENSE LOGISTICS
 AGENCY, DLA TROOP SUPPORT
Mandatory for: Total Government
 Requirement
Distribution: B-List

Deletions

The following product(s) are proposed
 for deletion from the Procurement List:

Product(s)

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

8105-01-662-7124—Can Liners—Can
 Liner, Linear Low Density, 44 Gallon,
 Clear

8105-01-662-6362—Can Liners—Can
 Liner, Linear Low Density, 23 Gallon,
 Clear

8105-01-662-7122—Can Liners—Can
 Liner, Linear Low Density, 32 Gallon,
 Clear

8105-01-662-6361—Can Liners—Can
 Liner, Linear Low Density, 10-15
 Gallons, Clear

8105-01-662-7928—Can Liners—Can
 Liner, Linear Low Density, 40-45 Gallon,
 Clear

Authorized Source of Supply: Envision, Inc.,
 Wichita, KS

Contracting Activity: GSA/FAS ADMIN
 SVCS ACQUISITION BR(2, NEW YORK,
 NY

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

7350-00-988-6498—Cup, Paper,
 Disposable, Hot, White, 8 oz, with
 Handle

7350-00-205-1182—Cup, Paper,
 Disposable, Hot, White, 6 oz, with
 Handle

Authorized Source of Supply: The
 Lighthouse for the Blind in New Orleans,
 Inc., New Orleans, LA

Contracting Activity: STRATEGIC
 ACQUISITION CENTER,
 FREDERICKSBURG, VA

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

7350-00-988-6498—Cup, Paper,
 Disposable, Hot, White, 8 oz, with
 Handle

7350-00-205-1182—Cup, Paper,
 Disposable, Hot, White, 6 oz, with
 Handle

Authorized Source of Supply: The
 Lighthouse for the Blind in New Orleans,
 Inc., New Orleans, LA

Contracting Activity: GSA/FSS GREATER
 SOUTHWEST ACQUISITI, FORT
 WORTH, TX

NSN(s)—Product Name(s):

8520-01-522-0832—Refill, Body and Hair
 Shampoo, Scented, 2000 mL

8520-01-522-0833—Refill, Body and Hair
 Shampoo, Scented, 1000 mL

8520-01-522-0836—Refill, Body and Hair
 Shampoo, Scented, 800 mL

Authorized Source of Supply: Travis
 Association for the Blind, Austin, TX

Contracting Activity: GSA/FSS GREATER
 SOUTHWEST ACQUISITI, FORT
 WORTH, TX

Michael R. Jurkowski,

Director, Business Operations.

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