

Environmentally sound fleet management, including the use of alternative fuels, offers considerable scope for operational cost savings and reducing harmful emissions.

#### **4. PRIORITIES**

##### **a. Procurement**

Develop DFAIT "green" materiel management guidelines based on life cycle analysis and the 3Rs approach to waste reduction (JEN/ SRM/SBA).

Implement environmentally sound procurement practices in the materiel life-cycle for DFAIT operations in Canada and at missions abroad. (SRM/SBA/Branches/PWGSC).

Make full use of "green" product labelling and green product standards established by the International Standards Organization (SRM/SBA/Branches).

Review DFAIT procurement practices and identify opportunities for giving preference to competitively priced "green" products -- for example, by establishing standing offers with suppliers offering environmentally sound alternatives, particularly appliances (SRM/SBA/Branches).

##### **b. Waste Reduction**

Develop and implement a DFAIT waste reduction action plan, outlining specific measures and targets for facilities in Canada and abroad. Where local facilities permit, the targets will exceed those set for federal buildings in Canada under the Environmental Accountability Partnership (including a 50% reduction in waste products by 2000) (JEN/SBA/SRD/Branches).

Initiate waste audits and review options for reducing waste at DFAIT properties in Canada and abroad (JEN/SBA/SRD/Branches).

Manage and dispose of toxic and hazardous materials in accordance with Canadian and foreign requirements (SBA/SRD/Branches).

Complete implementation of the Pearson Building Waste Management Plan. (JEN/SBA).