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Memorandum

To: Assistant Regional Director-Budget and Administration, Regions 1-7

From: Acting Chief, Division of Contracting and General Services, Washington Office

Subject: Re-refined Motor Oil

Using re-refined motor oil, an environmentally preferable alternative to virgin motor oil, is an ideal way for the Service to comply with environmental guidelines in Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and Executive Order 13101, Greening the Government Through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition.

Re-refined motor oil is a high quality product that meets performance standards. For every two quarts of re-refined motor oil used, 42 gallons of crude oil use is avoided! The process of re-refining those two quarts takes half as much energy as is required for refining virgin from crude. Therefore, the Service has committed to using re-refined motor oil, and Service employees should be using re-refined motor oil in all Service owned motor vehicles and also in the 450 vehicles that are leased from the General Services Administration.

Until recently, a major obstacle was finding a local vender to provide a consistent supply of re-refined motor oil. However, the White House Task Force on Recycling has announced great news about re-refined motor oil, especially for those field stations having difficulty finding a commercial source. Grease Monkey International has decided to offer America's Choice re-refined motor oil at all of its facilities nationwide. This will greatly increase the availability of re-refined motor oil nationwide, and it will help the Service in our commitment to comply with Executive Order 13101.

Grease Monkey locations will accept both the Service's Fleet Master card and GSA's Voyager card, and all locations have been informed that government vehicles are to be filled with America's Choice. To find the nearest Grease Monkey, go to <http://www.greasemonkeyintl.com/locator/locator.html> and enter your zip code or call 800-822-7706. Because Grease Monkey is still in the process of distributing re-refined oil, please call first to make sure that particular location has a supply of America's Choice.

If you have any questions, please contact Vernon Cannon, Service Fleet Manager by email or by phone at 703-358-2239. Thank you for your support of this important effort.