

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) was signed into law in February 2009. Section 1605 of the Act states:

ARRA Section 1605 sets forth the clear expectation that "all the iron, steel and manufactured goods used in {an ARRA-funded} project will be produced in the United States". Section 1605 also sets forth specific circumstances under which a federal agency may determine to waive this Buy American requirement. However, it is important to emphasize that, as they are identified in OMB's April 23 Guidance, waivers are "exceptions" to the Buy American expectations of Section 1605.

Green Span Profiles, LP does manufacture steel products that conform to this requirement. <u>To</u> <u>ensure that this requirement is met, a written request must accompany all purchase</u> <u>orders for projects that require material compliance.</u>

One of the provisions of this Act is to allow a waiver in those instances were the cost of the material increase the cost of the project by more than 25% or if the material cannot be sourced in the United States. Green Span Profiles, LP occasionally sources material globally to meet the competitive and quality demands of our customer and this may result in material that does not meet the requirements of ARRA 1605. Written notification ensures our ability to comply with ARRA.