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GPO PRINTS THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON 100 PERCENT RECYCLED PAPER

WASHINGTON— The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) and the National Archives' Office of the Federal Register (OFR) made history by printing the *Federal Register* on 100% recycled paper. By using 100% recycled paper, GPO and OFR will reduce paper landfill waste across the country. GPO tested the 100% recycled paper in its plant throughout the past year. Those tests showed no difference in printability or run-ability as compared to the 40% post consumer waste recycled paper GPO has been using for years.

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“We’re proud of the efforts of our partners at GPO to promote maximum recyclable processes in printing Federal Register publications,” said Raymond A. Mosley, Director of the Federal Register. “Along with efforts to improve the delivery of products digitally, the use of 100% recyclable paper for printed products minimizes our carbon footprint.”

“Providing one of our most valued customers a choice of using more environmentally responsible paper is a great achievement for GPO,” said Public Printer Bob Tapella. “Practicing sustainable environmental stewardship is a top priority for GPO. I appreciate the assistance and support from our colleagues at the Office of Federal Register in using 100% recycled paper to produce this official journal of government.”

The Office of the Federal Register, within the National Archives and Records Administration publishes seven major publications containing the official text of Federal laws, Presidential documents, administrative regulations, public notices, and the descriptions of Federal organizations, programs and activities. Its premier publications are the daily *Federal Register* and the 226-volume *Code of Federal Regulations*.

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