

## Industrial & Institutional Cleaning Products

### Covered Products:

- **General Purpose Cleaners** are products that are used for routine cleaning of hard surfaces, including impervious flooring such as concrete, stone surfaces, or tile.
- **Restroom Cleaners** includes products used to clean hard surfaces in a restroom such as counters, walls, floors, fixtures, basins, tubs, toilets, urinals, and tile.
- **Toilet Bowl Cleaners** are products intended to clean toilet bowls or urinals.
- **Carpet Cleaners** include products developed to perform routine cleaning or spot cleaning of carpets and rugs.
- **Carpet Spot Removers** includes products intended for the spot removal of stains on carpets and rugs.
- **Glass, Window, Mirror Cleaners** includes products used to clean windows, glass, dry erase boards, and mirrored surfaces.

### Definitions:

**Green Seal** – is a non-profit organization that follows the Guiding Principles and Procedures for Type I Environmental Labeling adopted by the International Organization for Standards (ISO 14024). Green Seal has developed environmental standards and certifies products for more than 40 major product categories. It has a standard for industrial cleaning products (GS-37). Learn more about Green Seal's environmental standards at [www.greenseal.org/certification/environmental.cfm](http://www.greenseal.org/certification/environmental.cfm)

**EcoLogo** – is a North American Type I environmental leadership standard setting and third-party certification program as defined by ISO 14024. It has a standard (CCD-146) for Hard Surface Cleaners for products meeting those standards. For additional information on this program as well as standards for other products, visit the EcoLogo website at [www.ecologo.org/en/](http://www.ecologo.org/en/)

### Specifications:

#### **Certifications:**

Industrial and Institutional Cleaning Products shall be certified by the following standards:

Green Seal/GS-37 (5<sup>th</sup> Edition)

Ecologo/CCD-146 (2005 Edition)

An Alternative Self-Attestation is offered for companies that do not have Green Seal or EcoLogo certification for a specific product in the cleaning categories mentioned above, but can prove they meet one of these standards. In such cases, manufacturers must: Complete and sign and send an affidavit to: New York State Office of General Services, Attn: Environmental Services Unit, Corning Tower, 39th Floor, Empire State Plaza,

Albany, NY 12242. This affidavit shall attest that the manufacturer's product meets or exceeds the existing GreenSeal/ EcoLogo criteria, and the manufacturer has the necessary data to support this claim. A sample affidavit may be found at: [greencleaning.ny.gov/PublicCommentDocs/AppendixI\\_092409.pdf](http://greencleaning.ny.gov/PublicCommentDocs/AppendixI_092409.pdf)

Cleaning products meeting Green Seal or EcoLogo criteria will be added to the OGS Approved Green Cleaning Products List under the self-attestation category.

All industrial and institutional cleaning products listed on the "approved green cleaning products" list at [www.greencleaning.ny.gov](http://www.greencleaning.ny.gov) meet the GreenSeal or EcoLogo criteria, or have provided the requisite self-attestation to OGS.

**Packaging:**

In accordance with Environmental Conservation Law section 37-0205, packaging shall not contain inks, dyes, pigments, adhesives, stabilizers, or any other additives to which any lead, cadmium, mercury or hexavalent chromium has been included as an element during manufacture or distribution in such a way that the sum of the concentrations levels of such lead, cadmium, mercury or hexavalent chromium exceed the following concentration level: 100 parts per million by weight (0.01%).

All bidders are encouraged to offer packaging which minimizes or eliminates the use of disposable containers; is made from recycled content; contains a minimum of 25% by weight of post consumer materials, and/or meets or exceeds the minimum post consumer content level for packaging in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines.