

## **Build America, Buy America (BABA)**

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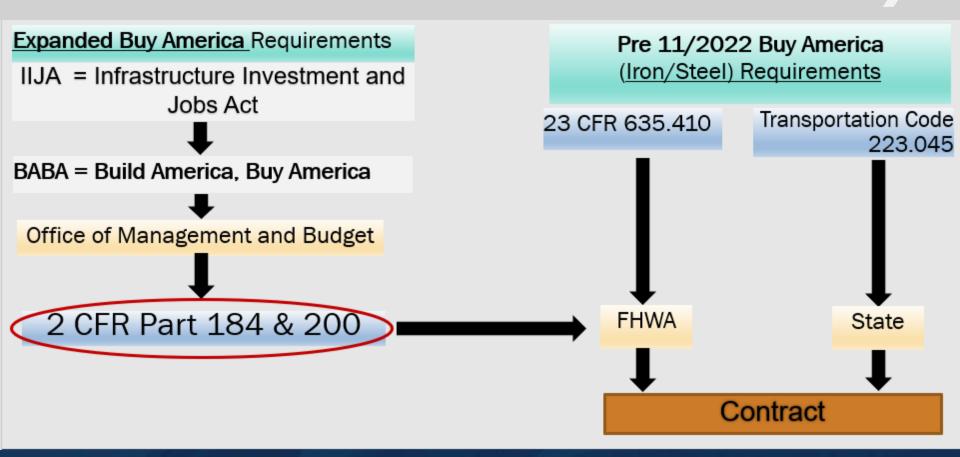


# **Construction Division**

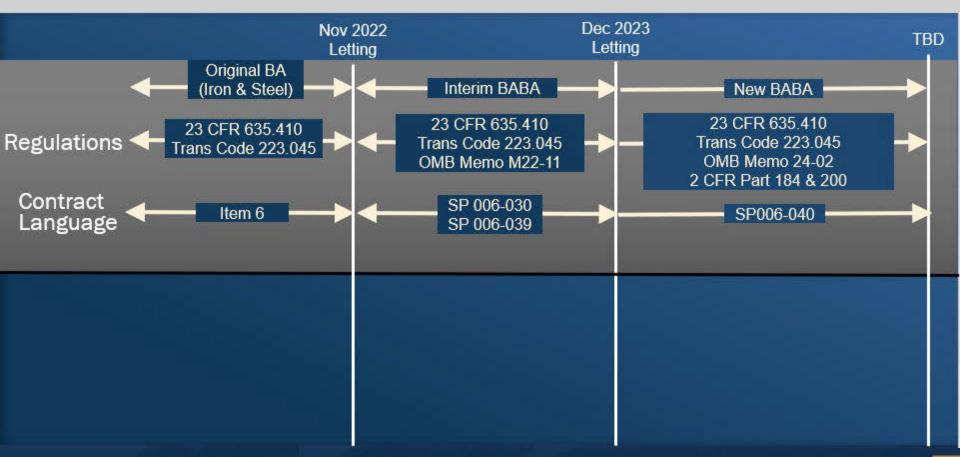
**Buy America Implementation** 



#### **Code Connection**



#### **Compliance Timeline**



#### **Material Classifications**





#### Iron or steel products

Requires Buy America Compliance



#### Section 70917(c) materials

Aggregates etc; excluded from BABA



#### **Construction materials**

Requires Buy America Compliance



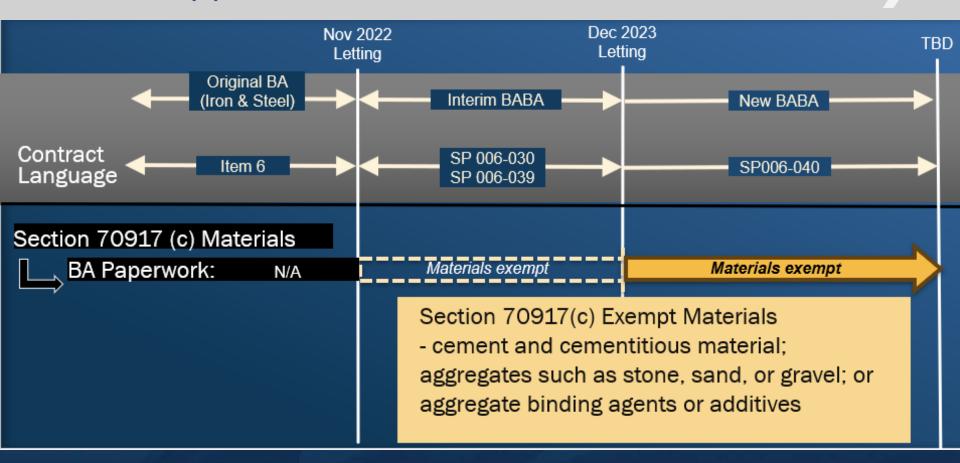
#### Manufactured products

Currently waived from Buy America Compliance

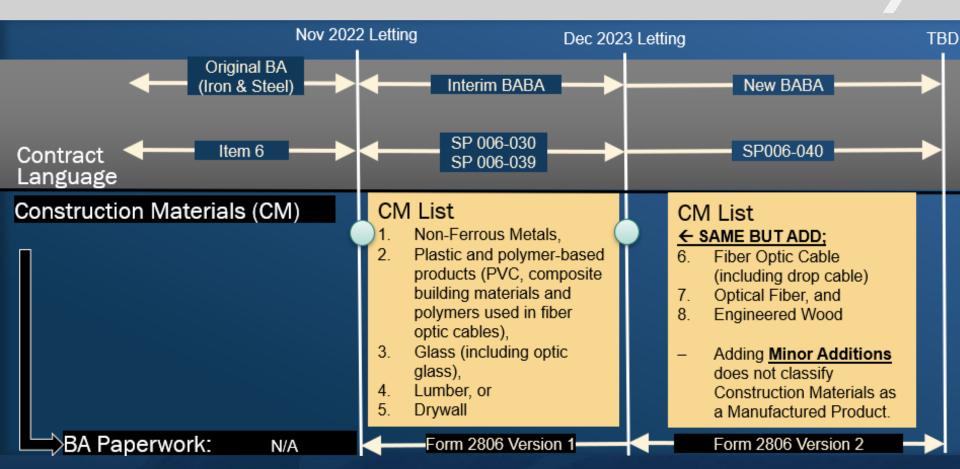
 Each have regulations to aid in categorization and compliance.

 Categorization is based on the "status at the time it is brought to the work site for incorporation into an infrastructure project."

## **Section 70917 (C) Materials**



#### **Construction Materials**



#### **No Change Materials**



Iron/Steel

NO Change - continue using current process to include Form 1818, MTRs and certifications as required.

- Manufactured Product
  - Any Construction Material combined with any other item <u>other than minor</u> <u>additions as determined by the Engineer.</u>
  - Any other material (excluding iron/steel).

## **Buy America Material Classification Sheet**



#### **Buy America material classification sheet**

Materials

Asphalt Binder Dashboard

Asphalt supplier certifications

Materials forms

Design-build guide schedule

Design-bid-build guide schedule

Material producer list

Buy America material classification shoet

**Material Specifications** 

Materials test procedures

Aggregate Quarry and Pit Safety Program

Technical advisories

Equipment calibration templates

Starting December 2023 letting, certification requirements for construction materials and Build America Buy America have changed. Existing contracts will continue to follow the provisions set in the contract. New Buy America Material Classification sheet and Form 2806 have been created to meet these requirements.

The Buy America material classification sheet categorizes materials as iron and steet, construction material, or manufactured product on a per-item basis. Section 70917(c) materials is added as a category starting December 2023 letting. Buy America Material Classification sheets for respective contract requirements are found below. Any material not specifically listed or called out in the contract will be covered by the definition of construction material set in the contract.

The contractor will need to submit Form 2806, "Construction Materials Buy America Certification," for all items classified as a construction material to be in compliance with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA).

Form 2806 has two versions to reflect the new (SP006-040) and previous (SP006-030 or SP006-039) requirements.

- Enrm 2806 Version 1 is required for contracts let between November 2022 and November 2023 with SP006-030 or SP006-039 (File requires download to view)
- <u>© Form 2806 Version 2</u> is required for contracts on or after December 2023 with SP006-040. These contracts had a federal authorization date after 10/23/2023 (File requires download to view)
- Buy America Material Classification sheet (for on or after December 2023 letting with SP006-040)
- Buy America Material Classification sheet (November 2022 to November 2023 lettings with SP006-030 or SP006-039)

#### Resources

- BABA Rollout Presentation for Contracts letting 11/22 to 11/23 with SP006-030 or SP006-039
- BABA Update Presentation for Contracts let on or after 12/23 with SP006-040

#### Archived classification sheets

 As materials are added to the classification sheets, previous versions of the respective sheet will be archived here.

#### **Stored at** same location as MPL:

TxDOT.gov →

Do Business →

TxDOT Specifications →

(bottom of page under additional Resources)

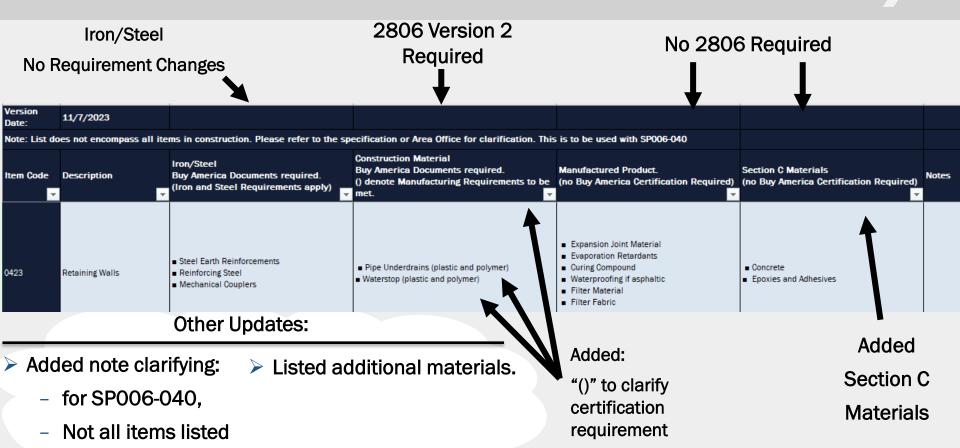
Or

Search "Buy America Material Classification sheet" @ txdot.gov

#### **UPDATE**:

- SP 006-040
- New Form 2806
- New Classification Sheet
- SP6-30, SP6-39 use Form 2806 Version 1 and Classification Sheet.

## **Buy America Material Classification Sheet**



#### **Material Classification -006-040 CliffsNotes**



- Construction Materials (CM): Not before, Are Now.
  - Structural Glued Laminated Timber
  - Elastomeric Pads
  - HDPE pipe
  - Aluminum Signs

- Wood Mulch
- Waterstop (non-asphaltic)
- Geogrid
- Drainage Mats

- CM clarified.
  - Rebar Chairs
  - Rebar Spacers for soil nail walls.

## Form 2806 Version 2 - Construction Materials Buy America Certification





#### Used with:

SP006-040 (projects let on or after 12/2023)

Order Number revised to Purchase Order

What is the Contractor certifying?

- 1. Meets specs,
- 2. <u>Certification requirement per Material.</u>
- 3. All Quantities for that material on the project by Purchase Order.
- 4. Will provide a new 2806 if change in supplier or supplier is no longer compliant.

#### Form 2806 Version 1 - Construction Materials Buy America Certification



	m 2806 Version 1 (Rov. 03/24) Page 1 of 1
This version of 2806 (version 1) is for applicable contracts let November 2022 to November 2023.	
Form 2806 must be completed to certify compliance with Build America, Buy America Act (BABA Act). Construction Materials an classified as an article, material, or supply—other than an item of primarily iron or steel; a manufactured product; cement and cementitious materials; aggregates such as stone, sand, or gravel; or aggregate binding agents or additives —that is or consists primarily of:	
<ul> <li>Non-ferrous Metals,</li> <li>Plastic and Polymer-based Products (including polyvinyl chloride, composite building materials, and polymers used in fiber optic cables),</li> <li>Glass (including optic glass),</li> <li>Lumber, or</li> <li>Drywall.</li> </ul>	
CS): Area Engineer:	
Prime Contractor	
Subcontractor:	
ttem Code:	
Producer/Fabricator:	
Purchase Order	
Material:	
This is to certify that all quantities of the above listed material(s) for this specified project are in conformance with the governi specification(s) and that at least the final manufacturing processes and the immediately preceding manufacturing stage for the construction material occurred in the United States of America. Alternations to this document by any agency other than the Pr Contractor will void the certification. In the event a producer/fabricator is no longer compliant or if there is a change of the producer/fabricators, an additional Form 2806 is required. Submit documentation to support this certificate of compliance for specified material(s), as requested by the Engineer.	ne ime
Prime Contractor Representative Name:	
Prime Contractor Representative Signature: Date:	

#### Used with:

-SP006-030/SP006-039

(Projects let between 11/2022 and 11/2023.)

Order Number revised to Purchase Order

What is the Contractor certifying?

- 1. Meets specs,
- 2. "The final manufacturing process and the proceeding manufactured process occurred in the United States of America."
- 3. All Quantities for that material on the project by Purchase Order.
- 4. <u>Will provide a new 2806 if change in supplier or supplier is no longer compliant.</u>

#### **BABA Universe - Phase IV**

- Likely Challenge?
  - Evolution/Removal of the Manufactured Product Wavier.
- Rising to the Challenge... a Bat?
  - Buy America Taskforce, a partnership with AGC.
    - Teaming up to:
      - identify improvements,
      - adapt to change, and
      - successfully deliver a leading Buy America program.



Aggregates alone do nothing, working together they can be the foundation for anything.

## TEXAS ASSEMBLE!!!

Thanks, and Gig'Em
 Eduardo Acosta Jr.

TxDOT CST's FHWA Liaison

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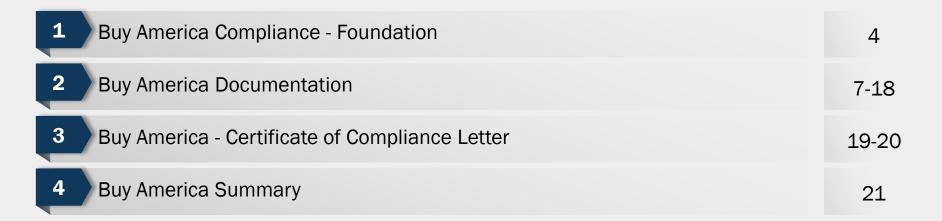


# TxDOT Utility Accommodation

**Buy America** 



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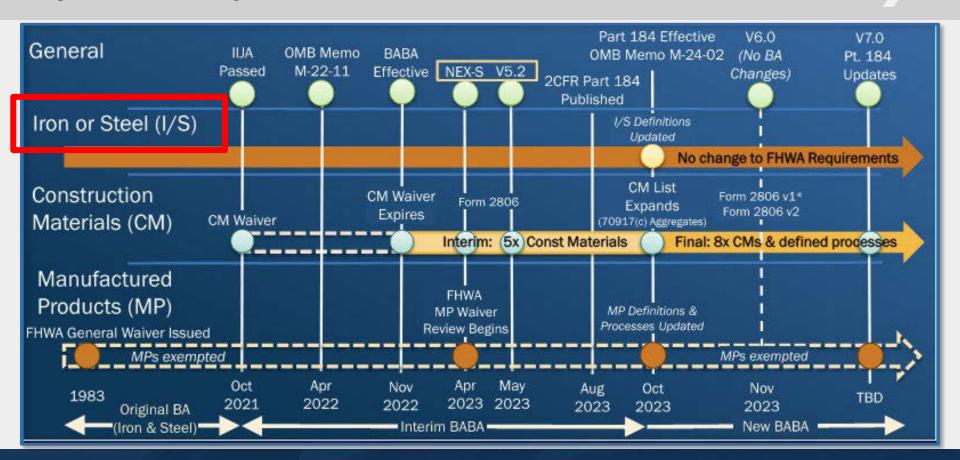


## **Buy America Compliance - Foundation**



- Set forth in 23 CFR 635.410
  - The project either:
    - (i) Includes no permanently incorporated steel or iron materials, or
    - (ii) if steel or iron materials are to be used, all manufacturing processes, including the application of a coating, for these materials must occur in the United States. The coating includes all processes which protect or enhance the value of the material to which the coating is applied.
  - https://www.ecfr.gov/cgibin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=df77aee403b235af5e0b8828a01d24de&mc=true&r =SECTION&n=se23.1.635\_1410

## **Buy America Compliance – Iron or Steel**



## **Buy America Consideration**

 All manufacturing processes of the steel material in a project (i.e., smelting, and any subsequent process which alters the steel material's physical form or shape or changes its chemical composition) must occur within the United States to be considered of domestic origin. This includes processes such as rolling, extruding, machining, bending, grinding, and drilling.



## **Buy America Documentation**

- What should you document?
  - Notifications to third parties that project is Buy America / Iron and Steel Preference Provision Compliant
  - Cost estimates and plan sheets
  - Verification prior to installation
    - Form 1818
    - Mill Test Reports or Certifications
  - Inspections during installation





All fields must be filled out completely to be an acceptable Form 1818.

**2.** Supplier: Supplier, Vendor, or Distributor's Name

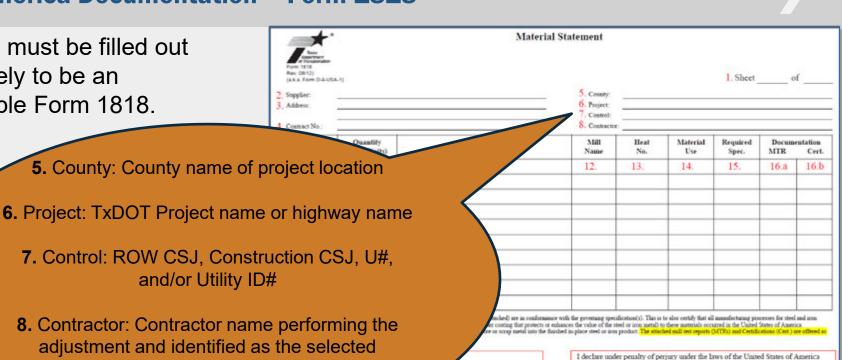
**3.** Address: Supplier, Vendor, or Distributor's Address

**4.** Contract No (Optional).: Contract Number between supplier and manufacturer or utility owner

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My Commissio	on expires:		(Type Name a	nd Title)				
			(Firm Name)					



All fields must be filled out completely to be an acceptable Form 1818.



**8.** Contractor: Contractor name performing the adjustment and identified as the selected

awarded contractor in the bid tabs or fee schedule

authorized to sign for the Firm listed below

(Authorized Corporate Official Signature)

and the State of Texas that the foregoing is true and correct and that I am

(Type Name and Title)

(Firm Name)

Date

Supplier

4, Contract No.:

Purchase

Order No.



Material Description

Material Statement

Mill

Name

Heat

13.

Material

14.

Required

15.

Documentation

16.b

MIR

16.a

All fields must be filled out completely to be an acceptable Form 1818.

9. Purchase Order No.:
Purchase order number from
the invoice that will be
submitted for billing or from
the Mill Test Report (MTR).

**10.** Quantity (Amt./Units):
Actual quantity installed with appropriate unit obtained from the cost estimate.

certify that the materials listed above and on the attached supplement of the application of contage (epoxy, galvening, positing or so the contage are defined as all processes required to change the contage of the co

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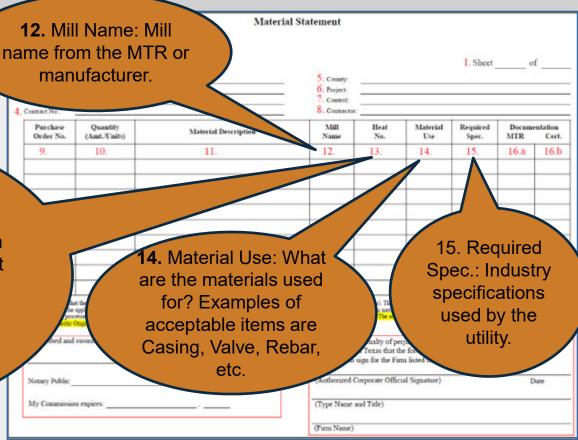
(Amt/Units)

11. Material Description: The material description should match what was identified on the cost estimate and include the item # and on the MTR or Certification.

All fields must be filled out completely to be an acceptable Form 1818.

13. Heat No.: The heat number should match the heat number found on the attached MTRs. "See attached" is not an acceptable form to document. Verify that there is not a duplicate heat number in this column.

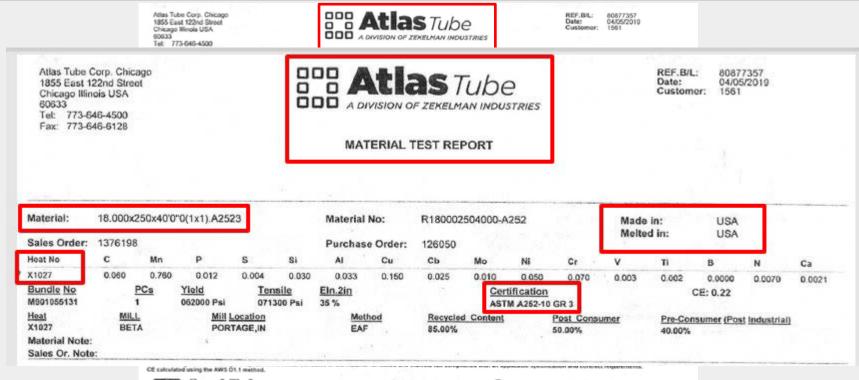
Note: If a Certification is submitted instead of an MTR, this box will be N/A.



Material Statement All fields must be filled out completely to be an acceptable Fa 16. Documentation: MTR or Cert. should be selected, per the documentation being submitted. The attached MTRs and Material Required Certifications are offered as proof of Domestic Origin. 16.b **16.a** MTR: The Mill Test Report (MTR) issued and signed by the initial fabricator stating that the Buy America materials were melted and manufactured in the United States. **16.B** Cert.: Certification (Cert.) should state that all products that are composed predominately of steel and/or iron were manufactured domestically, in compliance with the BUY AMERICA provisions of 23 CFR 635.410. Certification should be project specific. g is true and correct and that I an Note: Specifications, shop drawings, catalog pages, and emails are not acceptable documentation for compliance. (Firm Name)

#### **Buy America Documentation - MTR**





Steel Tube Institute

Metals Service Center Institute

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## **Buy America Documentation – Not Acceptable MTR**



TEST CERTIFICATE



Ghaziabad - 201001, Uttar Pradesh, India

Greater Noida (Phase II) - 203207, Uttar Pradesh, India

FROME: TYL 120 4150000, FGX: TYL 120 4186641

Customer P.O. No. and Date: PP00011781-1 Date: 21-05-14 Order Acceptance No. and Date : OA/14-15/A-192 Date :23-05-14

Invoice No. and Date:

I	Group No.	PC	lten	No.	Description	Qty	Dimension Std./Drg.No. /Size
	G1638J		3)		DISC: 105 OD X 70 MM THK, NACE	2	AS PER SIZE
I	G17270		10)		DISC: 392 OD X 79 MM THK, NACE	15	AS PER SIZE

#### Heat Analysis (Weight%)

Group No.	Steel Maker Melt/Heat No.	C	Mn	Si	Р	<b>S</b> .	Cr	Ni	Мо	Ti	As	٧	Nb	Al	Cut	Sn	Рb	N	Sb	. CE
G1638J	4303643	0.200	1.250	0.240	0,014	0,005	0.012	0.008	0.001	-	-	0.002	0.001	0.031	0.005	-		-		0.412
G1727D	4309433	0.210	1.280	0.200	0.017	0.003	0.007	0.009	0.001	-	-	0.001	000	0,028	0.007	-	-	-	-	0.426

#### Mechanical Properties

Group No.	Direction	Tensile Strength MPa	Yield Strength MPa	Elongation in % age L = 4D		Impact Test	Bend Test	Hardness BHN	Micro Test
			0.2% Offset method			Charpy (10x10x55 mm) 2 mm V Notch at minu 50°C			
G1638J	Tangential	498	310	28.4	68,63	60,56,64 AVG= 60 Joule	NA.	149, 152	NA.
G1727D	Tangential	493	316	33.6	72.57	66,80,54 AVG= 66.67 Joule	NA NA	146, 149	NA NA

#### Hoat Treatment

Group No.	Material Specification	Supply Conditions
G1638J	ASTM A350 Gr. LF2 CL.1, 2013	Normalised AT 900°C Soaking Time 3,00 Hrs.
G1727D	ASTM A350 Gr. LF2 CL.1, 2013	Normalised AT 920°C Soaking Time 4.00 Hrs.

#### Product Marking/Identification Marks

Group No.	PO item No.	Identification warks
G1638J	3)	A-192-3 105 OD X 70 MM THK A350 GR LF2 CL1 N. G,No. G1638J H.NO. 4303643 NACE
G1727D	10)	A 192-10 392 OD X 79 MM THK A350 GR LF2 CL1 N. G.No. G1727D H.NO. 4309433 NACE

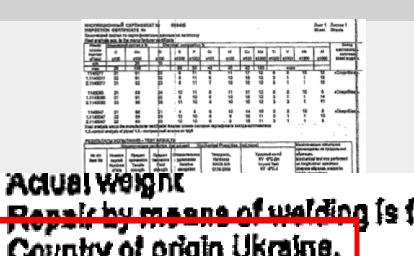
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ASEGURAMIENTO DE CALIDAD QUALITY ASSURANCE DEPARTAMENT

Arturo D. Benavides L.

#### **Buy America Documentation – Not Acceptable MTR**





"Coil Manufacturer: Ternium MC3-Lazaro Cardenas, Mexico"

The products manufactured from this coil will not be Buy America compliant. The creation of the coil from the iron ore is a manufacturing process, and it was accomplished in Mexico. That fact disqualifies all of the products manufactured from the coil, even if all of that later manufacturing was done domestically.

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FLATTENING TEST PASSED

1.5 INCH T180 STRIP SPECIMEN

THIS MATERIAL MEETS: ASTM A53B, ASME SA53B LATEST EDITION

API 5L PSL 2 GRADE X52M

MEETS HARDNESS REQUIREMENTS OF NACE MRO 175/ISO 15156-2, CLAUSE A.2.1.1

MEETS ISO 10474 3.1.B/EN 10204: 3.1 / STANDARDS ARE LATEST REVISION

STEEL SUPPLIER: TERNIUM MC3-MONTERREY, NL, MEXICO

COIL MANUFACTURER: TERNIUM MC3-LAZARO CARDENAS, MEXICO
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## **Buy America Documentation - Verification**



	Utility Verification					
Roadway: SH 11 DATE: Monday, October 28, 2019						
Limits: 6.19 Miles East of FM 2653 to SH 19	ROW CSJ:					
	CON CSJ: 0083-02-051, 0083-02-057					
	WEATHER: Cloudy ( 60°F)					
UTILITY OWNER	PERSONNEL					
City of Sulphur Springs	Patterson Professional Service					

#### COMMENTS

Arrived on-site approximately 11:15 AM

City of Sulphur Springs

Patterson was on site welding the 18" split casing today. The split casing had been verified on site. The 30" steel casing and the 8" T valve were also present on the site and verified as well. The site was still heavily flooded, and Patterson mentioned that they did not expect any further construction this week due to the weather.



## **Buy America Documentation - Verification**





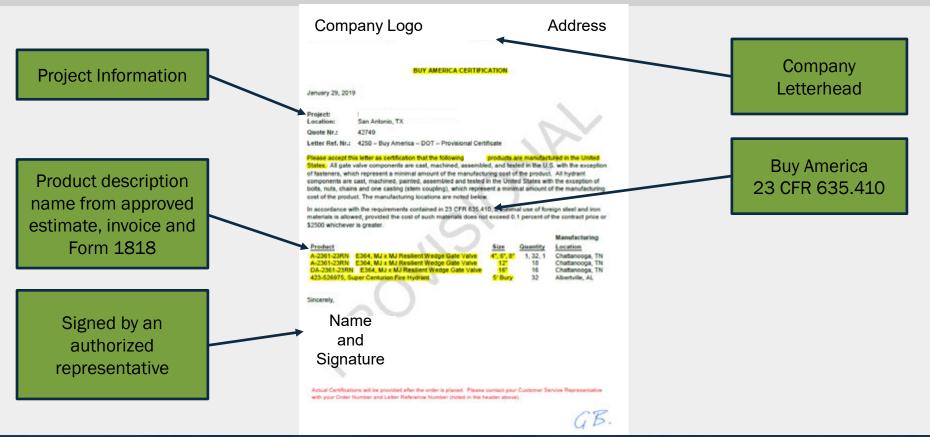
Patterson on site welding the 18" split casing

#### **Certificate of Compliance Letter** Company Letterhead CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH **BUY AMERICA** Company **Project Information** Date: Customer: Letterhead Attention: Customer Order: (Producer/Fabrict or) Order: Re: (project name: CSJ) Material: Product description The following products, provided by (producer/fabricator) for the above order, are fabricated from steel or iron that is melted and manufactured, and any coating applied, in the United States and meet name from approved the requirements of Buy America 23 CFR 635.410: **Buy America** estimate, invoice, and (Product) 23 CFR 635.410 (Product).. Form 1818 This certification has been issued for only the products listed above for domestic compliance. Alterations to this document by any agency other than (producer/fabricator) will void the certification. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this certification. Signed by an Very truly yours, authorized representative (producer/fabricator) Phone:

Email cc:

## **Certificate of Compliance Letter - Acceptable**





## **Buy America Summary**



#### 2019 Buy America Guidelines

- Verify compliance prior to installation of material
- Buy America does not apply to Misc. items
- Option for Utility Owner to sign
- Language on what to include on Certificate of Compliance Letter

#### **Buy America Documentation**

- Form 1818
  - Mill Test Reports or Certificate of Compliance
- Review prior to sending to ROW Utility inbox
- Form 1818 executed and legible documentation

#### **Certificate of Compliance Letter**

- Company Letterhead
- Project Information
- 23 CFR 635.410
- Material Description from approved estimate & Form 1818
- Signature

Before the installation of products subject to Buy America compliance, the utility facility owner will submit an executed TxDOT Form 1818

#### **Contact Information**





# Contact us if you need assistance, we're here to help!

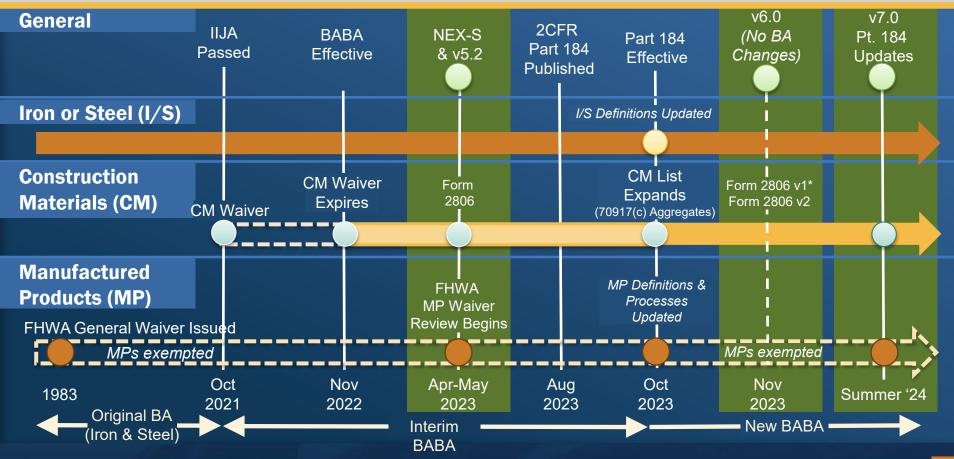
## ROW\_UtilityRequests@txdot.gov

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- Paul Fierro, Utility Specialist Paul.Fierro@txdot.gov



**Alternative Delivery Program (ALD)** 

## **Buy America Evolution and Design-Build Contract Versions**



#### **Design-Build Contractor's Buy America Requirements**



# Buy America Certificate

- DBA General Conditions, Attachment 3-1, Exhibit 7



Section 7/697(c) materials do not raighte correctly sourcing or this America certification

DBA GC Item 6\* defines certification requirements

- consistent with SP 006-040

\*Initial BABA Act requirements added to v5.2 (& NEX-S); 2CFR Part 184 requirements added to v7.0 Manufactured products remain exempted under FHWA general waiver

### **Design Build Buy America Tracking (Quality Management Plan)**

- DBA GC Attachment 4-2\*
   includes a sample form for
   DB Contractors to track all
   materials requiring Buy
   America compliance.
- DB Contractors may modify as needed and submit with CQMP for TxDOT approval.
- Independent Quality
   Procedure IQP-05\* clarifies
   the IQF must review Buy
   America Documentation.

\*As of DBA GC v5.2

#### Project: Project CCSJ: DB Contractor Name: Reporting Date: Sheet of Material Description MOH Draw Iron/Steel (IS) or Quantity Supplier. Invoice Comments Request # Subcontractor, or Number Construction (if applicable) Materials (CM)

BUY AMERICA MATERIALS SUMMARY FORM - SAMPLE

## **Design Build Project Information**





# TxDOT.gov, Search "Alternative Delivery Projects"

Mark Weaver, PMP
Alternative Delivery PM, TxDOT
Mark.Weaver@txdot.gov

To join the Alternative Delivery "E-Blast" Distribution email

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# **Waivers**

FHWA - Texas Division





## **Initiating a Buy America Waiver Request**



TxDOT may request to pursue a Buy America waiver from FHWA if there are valid grounds for it, such as:

Public Interest Waiver

Inconsistency with public interest Nonavailability Waiver

Nonavailability of required materials in sufficient quantity and satisfactory quality

Unreasonable Cost Waiver

Increase in project cost of over 25% due by including U.S.-produced materials

Conditional Nature of Waivers:

Waivers, if approved, are generally project-specific and limited in scope to maintain intent of the Build America, Buy America Act.

#### Waiver Requirements – OMB M-24-02



- Waiver Type
- Project / Recipient Information
- Cost of item and total cost of project
- ➤ List of waiver items type including names of product, specifications and country origin (if known).
- > Description of effort made (market research, industry outreach, etc.)
- Market research should include relevant details:
  - when conducted,
  - sources used and
  - > methods used to conduct
- Anticipated Impact if no waiver is approved

#### Waiver Process – OMB M-24-02



- > Submissions from Recipient
- > FHWA will review and determine the merits of the request or ask for additional information.
- ➤ If request has merits, then review waiver with Made in America Office (MIAO).
- ➤ The proposed waiver and detailed written explanation will be posted publicly for a minimum 15 calendar days
- Description of effort made (market research, industry outreach, etc.)
- > FHWA will review and address comments as need.
- ➤ If waiver is still considered to have merit, then will submit to MAIO
- ➤ MIAO will determine if the waiver is consistent with applicable law and policy.

## **Proposed Rule Making**



- Manufactured Products Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
  - Published March 12, 2024

- Summary:
  - Proposing to discontinue FHWA's general waiver of Buy America requirements for manufactured products.
  - Proposes standards for applying Buy America to manufactured products (should the waiver be discontinued)

Comments must be received by May 13, 2024.

# **CST Buy America FAQs**

#### QUESTIONS

**ANSWER** 

Is there a change to existing iron/steel Buy America Requirements?



No. Changes may come in Phase IV.

Will the Material Producer List (MPL) be updated?



Yes and No, TxDOT is working at identifying Buy America Compliant Products but not all suppliers are required to be BABA compliant.

Do we need to get a new Form 2806 for additional quantity?



No, contractor is certifying all quantity on the project.

Contractor responsible if supplier changes or is no longer certified.

Are the new Buy America Guidelines going to change?



Possibly, FHWA is reviewing the existing Manufactured Products waiver.

What construction material documentation are we expecting besides the Form 2806?



At this time, TxDOT is not requesting any additional documentation other than Form 2806 for Construction Materials. However, project documentation is still required to verify material source and quantities.

## **CST Buy America FAQs**

**QUESTIONS** 

**ANSWER** 

Can payment be made without receipt of the Form 2806?



Form 2806 is required for payment for DBB project compliance with the CFRs.

Can a certified invoice be provided as a substitution to Form 2806?



No, only the applicable Form 2806 to the project is allowed. There are no equivalents or substitutions.

What if the material is applicable to multiple item codes?



List all item codes on Form 2806.

When is Buy America documentation due?



Prior to installation.

## **CST Buy America FAQs**

#### **QUESTIONS**

**ANSWER** 

What if the Material Classification Changes?



Material Classification Sheet is versioned and stored online. Contractors use the Materials Classification specific to their contract.

Will a digital copy be acceptable?



An electronic version is acceptable.

Is the Form 2806 Version 1 or 2 required to be notarized?



No.

If you have a question on how a material is classified, contact your district construction office who will coordinate with CST Division. For general questions, contract the respective division.



