

(b) Uniform principles, policies, and standards for efficient management of personal property that are sufficiently broad in scope and flexible in nature to facilitate adaptation to local needs and various kinds of operations.

Subpart 109-1.51—Personal Property Management Standards and Practices

§ 109-1.5100 Scope of subpart.

This subpart provides guidance on DOE standards and practices to be applied in the management of personal property. The standards and practices that apply to equipment shall be based on the unit acquisition cost threshold specified in the definition of equipment contained in section § 109-1.100-51 of this part. No other acquisition cost threshold shall apply.

§ 109-1.5101 Official use of personal property.

Personal property shall be used only in the performance of official work of the United States Government, except:

(a) In emergencies threatening loss of life or property as authorized by law;

(b) As otherwise authorized by law and approved by the Director, Office of Administrative Services; heads of field organizations for their respective organizations; or a contracting officer for contractor-held property.

§ 109-1.5102 Maximum use of personal property.

Personal property management practices shall assure the best possible use of personal property. Supplies and equipment shall be generally limited to those items essential for carrying out the programs of DOE efficiently.

§ 109-1.5103 Loan of personal property.

(a) Personal property which is not excess and would otherwise be out of service for temporary periods may be loaned to other DOE offices and contractors, other Federal agencies, and to others for official purposes. The loan request shall be in writing, stating the purpose of the loan and period of time required. The loan shall be executed on DOE Form 4420.2, Personal Property Loan Agreement or computer gen-

erated equivalent when approved in writing by the OPMO or on-site DOE property administrator. When approved, a memorandum transmitting the loan agreement shall be prepared identifying the loan period, delivery time, method of payment and transportation, and point of delivery and return, to ensure proper control and protect DOE's interest. The loan period shall not exceed one year, but may be renewed in one year increments. Second renewals of loan agreements shall be reviewed and justified at a level of management at least two levels above that of the individual making the determination to loan the property. Third renewals shall be approved by the head of the field organization or designee.

(b) Requests for loans to foreign Governments and other foreign organizations shall be submitted to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Energy Policy, Trade and Investment for approval, with a copy to the cognizant Headquarters program office.

§ 109-1.5104 Borrowing of personal property.

(a) DOE organizations and designated contractors are encouraged to borrow personal property within DOE to further DOE programs. Property classified as Equipment Held For Future Projects (EHFFP) or as In Standby should be reviewed by those receiving availability inquiries for short-term use (one year or less). Borrowing of Government personal property from other Federal agencies is also encouraged when required for short periods of time. Such transactions shall be covered by written agreements which include all terms of the transaction.

(b) In determining whether it is practical and economical to borrow personal property, consideration shall be given to suitability, condition, value, extent and nature of use, extent of availability, portability, cost of transportation, and other similar factors.

(c) Adequate records and controls shall be established and maintained for borrowed property to ensure its proper control and prompt return to the lender.