



Status Report: China's Innovation and Government Procurement Policies

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Executive Summary

PRC officials made a series of commitments in 2011 to break existing links between indigenous innovation and government procurement preferences, which remains a significant concern for the US-China Business Council (USCBC) and its member companies. These included a State Council notice issued in November 2011 requiring provincial and local governments to halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents, to review existing regulatory documents for provisions that may need to be eliminated, and to report results to the State Council before the end of December 2011.

Not all sub-national governments have yet announced their compliance with these requirements. To facilitate continued discussion on China's full implementation of its pledges, USCBC is regularly updating a report covering the central, provincial, and local policy changes on indigenous innovation. This report is designed to ensure full implementation of China's commitments at the provincial and local level since January 2011, with a particular focus on those documents released since the November 2011 notice.

- As of May 2014, 19 provinces have released notices and announcements to comply with central government requirements. Fourteen provinces – Anhui, Beijing, Chongqing, Guangdong, Guizhou, Hebei, Hunan, Inner Mongolia, Jiangsu, Jiangxi, Jilin, Liaoning, Tianjin, Xinjiang, and Yunnan – have complied to some degree after the November State Council notice was issued. An additional 4 provinces – Fujian, Gansu, Shandong, and Shanghai – did so before the notice.
- An additional 39 sub-provincial units – ranging from Chengdu, Sichuan to Wuxi, Jiangsu – have issued notices and announcements to comply with central government requirements.
- However, significant work still remains: 12 provinces have not released any measures since January 2011 to implement central-level pledges, including some notable locations where foreign companies have investment such as Sichuan and Zhejiang provinces.
- In addition, USCBC has found seven local regulations formally linking indigenous innovation and government procurement released even after such links were prohibited by the State Council's November 17 notice, suggesting that further vigilance is needed on these issues.
- USCBC recommends that US government officials continue to raise this issue to ensure full and consistent compliance, including at the Strategic & Economic Dialogue, Joint Commission on Commerce and Trade, and other relevant bilateral meetings.

In January 2011, PRC President Hu Jintao committed his administration to breaking links between China's innovation and government procurement policies, including removing government procurement preferences for products on "indigenous innovation" catalogues. This was followed by subsequent commitments at the May 2011 Strategic and Economic Dialogue (S&ED) and the November 2011 Joint Commission on Commerce and Trade (JCCT) to eliminate regulations and policies linking innovation and government procurement. The US-China Business Council (USCBC) has prioritized the elimination of discriminatory innovation-related procurement rules at all government levels in its advocacy work and has provided various PRC government agencies with a list of rules and policies that need to be revised or revoked.

In the subsequent months, central and provincial governments have taken specific steps toward implementing these commitments. In June, the PRC Ministry of Finance (MOF) and other agencies published notices invalidating three regulations linking indigenous innovation and government procurement and removed the draft accreditation rules for indigenous innovation products in July. These national regulations had comprised important parts of the PRC regulatory framework promoting government procurement of indigenous innovation products and had spurred national, provincial, and local government agencies to release similar policies.

Such discriminatory links, however, remained at the sub-national level, with policies and regulations such as the accreditation rules for indigenous innovation products and catalogues for those products. As confirmed at the JCCT, the State Council on November 17, 2011 released a notice stating that sub-national governments at all levels must halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents by December 1, 2011. The notice also requires these governments to announce to the public which regulatory documents remain in effect, which are eliminated and which are suspended, and to report progress to the State Council by the end of December 2011. (For a copy of the notice, see referenced at www.cqbn.gov.cn/gwquery.asp?id=2301).

Recent government actions to amend or eliminate some of these regulations and catalogues demonstrate that the government is keeping its commitments. Based upon publicly available information, 23 of China's provinces and provincial-level cities can show some kind of specific, concrete action since early 2011 to implement pledges at the provincial or local level, with many of those doing so in direct response to the November 2011 circular.

Not all provincial and municipal governments, however, have publically announced the results of their work, and USCBC and other industry groups will continue to watch for new local policies and regulations where such links between indigenous innovation and government procurement persist. To date, USCBC has uncovered new policies released since the November 2011 State Council notice requiring provincial and local governments to halt implementation of any such measures.

- [Rules to support local enterprises](#) released in June 2012 by the local government in Zhenjiang, Jiangsu, that encourage use of the indigenous innovation product catalogue and government procurement to support local enterprises.
- A [notice reviewing 2012 government procurement work](#) released in December 2012 by the local government in Yantai, Shandong that listed a scoring mechanism to evaluate government agencies' procurement work with points given for their procurement of indigenous innovation products.
- A [notice announcing 2013-2014 government procurement work](#) released in February 2013 by the Hangjinhouqi county government, Inner Mongolia claiming that the government should "actively support" indigenous innovation products through government procurement, and should give prior consideration of procurement for domestic indigenous innovation companies, if they have the same quality or price conditions.
- [Rules to support local enterprises](#) released on August 2, 2013 by the local government in Yangzhou, Jiangsu that encourage government procurement of high-tech and software products above municipal and provincial levels to support local indigenous innovation products.
- A notice announcing [budget management of government procurement](#) in December 2011 by the local government of Cheng County, Longnan City, Gansu indicating that the county government should purchase domestic goods, projects, and services and support indigenous innovation products through government procurement.
- A [circular listing 114 indigenous innovative products as the government procurement preferences](#) in March 2013 released by the local government in Yinzhou District, Ningbo, Zhejiang, stating that government agencies should preferentially procure products from this catalogue when other conditions are equal.
- [Opinions to promote the local cultural industry](#) released in February 2013 by the local government of Xiangshan County, Ningbo, Zhejiang, stating that the county government should preferentially purchase indigenous innovative cultural products from the county in order to promote local enterprises.

In addition, despite the central government push to delink indigenous innovation and government procurement, data from USCBC's 2012 member company survey reveals that 85 percent of companies surveyed said they had seen no positive change in sales opportunities to PRC government entities at the national, provincial, or local levels since the 2011 release of the State Council notice, implying that the delink effort on paper has yet to translate into real change. In direct advocacy with the PRC government and in government-to-government meetings and dialogues, USCBC will continue to ensure that resolution of this issue remains a priority.

To facilitate continued discussion on China's full implementation of its pledges, USCBC has compiled – and continues to update periodically – the following report covering the central, provincial, and local policy changes designed to ensure full implementation of China's commitments at the provincial and local level since January 2011, with a particular focus on those documents released since the November 2011 notice.

Provincial- and Local-Level Government Actions Designed to “Delink” Indigenous Innovation and Government Procurement

Anhui

- On July 8, 2011, the Anhui Finance Bureau announced that it would suspend the implementation of 2007 provincial rules that regulate government procurement of indigenous innovation products, including provisions that cover drafting and use of provincial catalogues.
www.ahzfcg.gov.cn/news/2014-01/2e656004-e912-4193-be41-998780f71659.html
- In late November or early December 2011, the Anhui provincial government issued a circular that is believed to order all government and agencies at or below the provincial level to halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011.
(Full text unavailable; referenced in
www.czzwzgw.gov.cn/XxgkNewsHtml/MA001/201112/MA001020503201112004.html)
- On November 30, 2011, four Anhui governmental agencies, including the Anhui Commission of Science and Technology and the Anhui Finance Bureau, jointly released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of the 2007 Anhui Provisional Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation Management Rules as of December 1, 2011.
www.ahzfwgk.gov.cn/xgkweb/showGKcontent.aspx?xxnr_id=95297
- On December 8, 2011, the Chuzhou municipal government released a circular announcing the launch of its work to eliminate measures linking innovation and government procurement. The notice required relevant departments to draft a list specifying which regulatory documents would remain in effect, and which would be discarded or suspended. Departments should eliminate such documents by December 12, 2011, and should report results to the public and to the Anhui provincial government.
www.czzwzgw.gov.cn/XxgkNewsHtml/MA001/201112/MA001020503201112004.html

Beijing

- On September 7, 2011, the Beijing Finance Bureau released a circular, which referenced the June MOF circular, calling on municipal government agencies to implement MOF government procurement policies. It also stated to stop implementation of three local measures transmitting the central-level notices invalidated in the June MOF circular: the 2007 Evaluation Measures on Indigenous Innovative Products for Government Procurement, the 2007 Administrative Measures on Budgeting for Government Procurement of Indigenous Innovation Products, and the 2007 Administrative Measures on Government Procurement Contracts for Indigenous Innovation Products.
(Link inactive, but formerly available at
www.bjsjs.gov.cn/zfcg/zcfg/8a8481d2345a594701355ba4a2ef028c.html)

- On December 1, 2011, the Beijing municipal government released a circular announcing that it would suspend the implementation of some related measures linking innovation and government procurement, including specific provisions in the 2006 Opinions on Strengthening Indigenous Innovation Capacity and Building an Innovative City, the 2008 Opinions on Pilot Work to Develop Government Procurement of Indigenous Innovation Products in Zhongguancun Science & Technology Park, the 2009 Opinions on Scientific Promotion of Industry Development in Ecological Conservation Development Zones, and the 2010 Opinions on Promoting the Establishment of Industry Development Guidance in Beijing.
cwc.bjedu.gov.cn/publish/portal13/tab784/info18781.htm
- On April 17, 2012, the Shunyi district government under Beijing city released a circular announcing that it would halt the implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement, including specific provisions in the 2009 Circular on Helping Enterprises Deal with the International Financial Crisis and the 2010 Circular on Boosting the Development of Cultural and Creative Industries.
www.bjshy.gov.cn/Item/48041.aspx

Chongqing

- On July 14, 2011, the Chongqing Finance Bureau announced that it would no longer award extra points for indigenous innovation products in the Chongqing municipal government procurement process. The bureau also said it would eliminate such points from the 2010 standard text for tendering documents.
www.cqgp.gov.cn/portal/documentView.do?method=view&id=478226
- On November 29, 2011, the Chongqing municipal government released a circular announcing that all government entities at or below the municipal level must halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011. Agencies and district governments must submit lists of regulations that will remain in effect, as well as those that will be eliminated or suspended, to the city government by December 15. The Chongqing Legislative Office will summarize progress reports and submit its final report to the State Council by December 25.
www.cqfzb.gov.cn/Pro_General/ContentShow.aspx?ProID=49&myid=8655
- On December 5, 2011, the Banan district government under Chongqing city released a circular announcing that government entities within the district must halt implementation of any regulations linking innovation and government procurement by December 1, 2011, and must also halt implementation of any regulations based on related regulations now invalidated by NDRC, MOST, and MOF. Agencies must submit suggested regulations to eliminate to the Banan Legislative Office by December 12, which must then report the results of such work to the Chongqing Legislative Office by December 15.
www.cqbn.gov.cn/gwquery.asp?id=2301
- On January 17, 2012, the Chongqing municipal government announced the results of its round of regulatory changes, stating that county governments had eliminated five regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement and had revised two others. Chongqing's government is also currently revising Article 8 of the 2008 Opinions on Encouraging Enterprises to Expand Research & Development Investments to Increase Indigenous Innovation Capabilities.
govinfo.nlc.gov.cn/search/htmlflash4Radar?docid=2800307

Fujian

- On July 11, 2011, the Fujian Finance Bureau announced that it would suspend implementation of 2007 provincial rules regulating government procurement of indigenous innovation products, as well as all policies on government procurement preferences for indigenous innovation products.
www.fjicpa.org.cn/article.cfm?f_cd=56&s_cd=404&id=82FB052A-D605-5850-CBD6FFA4714C7316

- On July 11, 2011, the Xiamen Bureau of Science and Technology released a circular announcing that the city would “temporarily suspend” its 2011 work on accrediting indigenous innovation products in light of the July central-level interagency circular. Xiamen’s circular made no reference to existing catalogues in Xiamen.
www.xminfo.net.cn/index.php?m=content&c=index&a=show&catid=12&id=17176
- On July 20, 2011, the Zhangzhou Government Procurement Center released a circular announcing that it would suspend implementation of any policies providing preferences in government procurement to indigenous innovation products that appear in the center’s bidding documents.
www.zzzfcg.gov.cn/viewbody.cfm?id=9078
- On August 24, 2011, the Fujian Finance Bureau announced that it would suspend implementation of the 2007 Fujian Trial Administrative Measures on the Accreditation of Provincial Indigenous Innovation Products.
www.shanghang.gov.cn/dzzw/dwzw/gfxwj/sjwj/201108/t20110829_97301.htm

Gansu

- On July 6, 2011, the Gansu Finance Bureau announced that it would suspend implementation of indigenous innovation-related provisions included in broader provincial measures on procurement of energy saving, environmental, and indigenous innovation products.
www.gszfcg.gansu.gov.cn/web/147/110287.html

Guangdong

- On August 2, 2011, the Guangdong Finance Bureau announced that it would suspend implementation of the 2009 guidance on government procurement of indigenous innovation products starting on August 1, 2011.
www.caigou2003.com/news/notice/20110817/notice_190868.html
- On August 16, 2011, the Qingyuan municipal government released a circular referencing the August 2011 Guangdong Finance Bureau circular and requesting relevant government agencies, including finance and science & technology bureaus at the city, district, and county level, to comply.
qingyuan.gdgpo.com/gdgpmsPortal/jsp/article_content.jsp?articleId=4028708332b5d20e0132f752ffde0c92
- In late 2011, the Guangdong provincial government released a circular that is believed to order on all government and agencies at or below the provincial level to halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents.
(Full link not available, but referenced in zwgk.gd.gov.cn/007335807/201204/t20120405_311243.html)
- On January 9, 2012, the Chaozhou municipal government released a circular calling for governments at or below the municipal level to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. Such regulatory changes must be completed and reported to the Chaozhou Finance Bureau by February 15, 2012.
zwgk.gd.gov.cn/007335807/201204/t20120405_311243.html
- On January 9, 2012, the Xinhui district government under Jiangmen city released a circular calling on governments and agencies at or below the district level to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. Such regulatory changes must be completed and reported to the Xinhui Legislative Office by February 15, 2012.
www.xinhui.gov.cn/zwgk/GBYTJ/QZFGB/201205/P020120524638115803821.doc

- On March 8, 2012, six Jiangmen municipal government agencies, including the Jiangmen Science and Technology Bureau and the Jiangmen Finance Bureau, released a circular announcing revisions to the 2009 Jiangmen Provisional Management Rules for Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation, including the elimination of Article 10, which had called for advantages in government procurement for indigenous innovation products.
fzj.jiangmen.gov.cn/FileDiscuss.aspx?Id=639
- On March 13, 2012, the Zhuhai municipal government released a circular calling for all relevant government agencies to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. Such regulatory changes must be completed before December 1, 2011, and must be posted for the public on the municipal government website as well as reported to the Zhuhai Finance Bureau and the Zhuhai Legislative Office.
www.zhcz.gov.cn/ljcz/gzdt/201203/t20120313_279376.html
- On April 17, 2012, the Guangzhou municipal government released a circular announcing that the city would immediately halt the implementation of Guangzhou Management Rules for Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation.
sfzb.gzlo.gov.cn/sfzb/file.do?fileId=2C9089253734F024013739EB5CC90000

Guangxi

- On January 5, 2012, the Liuzhou municipal government autonomous region released a circular announcing that the city would start cleaning up regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. The notice stated that the municipal government would halt implementation of any such regulatory documents by December 1, 2011. Agencies must submit suggested regulations to eliminate to the Liuzhou Legislative Office by January 20; that office must then report the results of such work to the municipal government by January 16.
www.liuzhou.gov.cn/zwgk/fggw/ysq/lzf/201202/t20120223_519915.htm
- On January 9, 2012, the Liunan district government under Liuzhou city released a circular announcing that the district would start cleaning up regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. The notice stated that the district government would halt implementation of any such regulatory documents by December 1, 2011.
www.liuzhou.gov.cn/lzgovpub/lzszf/gqzf/A090/201203/t20120331_523792.html
- On January 16, 2012, the Fangchenggang municipal government announced the results of its work to clean up regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement released before December 20, 2011. According to its report, the review included five documents released by the municipal government, all of which remain in effect, and four departmental documents, of which one remains in effect and three have been suspended.
www.fcgs.gov.cn/Info/csdt/12010.aspx

Guizhou

- On November 29, 2011, the Guizhou provincial government released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of any measures linking innovation and government procurement included in the 2008 Implementing Opinions for Guizhou Government Procurement of Energy-saving and Environmental Protection Products to Promote Indigenous Innovation and the 2008 Provisional Rules of Conduct for Government Procurement by Guizhou Provincial-Level Units.
www.caigou2003.com/news/notice/20111209/notice_214101.html

Hebei

- On December 22, 2011, the Hebei Finance Bureau released a circular referencing the June 2011 State Council and requesting relevant government agencies at all levels to comply.
www.hebgb.gov.cn/upnews/upfiles/zfcg_zcfg/TS_LX20111222162415jg@ng.htm

- In early February 2012, the Hebei Finance Bureau issued a circular calling on all government entities at or below the provincial level to halt implementation of the 2011 Hebei Indigenous Innovation Product Government Procurement Catalogue.
(Full link not available, but referenced in www.hebgp.gov.cn/upnews/upfiles/zfcg_zcfg/LF2012314152831jg_nf.htm)

Hunan

- On December 1, 2011, the Hunan provincial government released a circular announcing that all government entities at or below the municipal level must halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011. Government entities must complete this work by December 31, 2011 and report results.
www.yylq.gov.cn/html/zhengwugongkai/zwgkzcwj/11216.html
- On December 14, 2011, the Yueyanglou district government under Yueyang city released a circular announcing that government entities, in accordance with Hunan provincial measures, must eliminate or revise any regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement and announce which documents remain in effect, and which are eliminated or suspended. The notice called on all relevant departments to submit results of removal work by December 20, 2011.
www.yylq.gov.cn/html/zhengwugongkai/zwgkzcwj/11216.html
- On December 19, 2011, the Hengyang municipal government released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011. Agencies must submit suggested regulations to eliminate to the Hengyang Legislative Office by December 20. Regulatory changes must be completed by December 25, 2011.
www.hengyang.gov.cn/main%5Chyzw/zfxgk/fggw/szfbgswj/1_17888/default.shtml
- On December 19, 2011, the Beihu county government (Chenzhou city) released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011. Regulatory changes must be completed by December 20, 2011.
www.czbeihu.gov.cn/dtxx/tzgg/content_61384.html
- On December 19, 2011, the Changsha municipal government released a circular announcing that it will revise regulatory documents that link innovation and government procurement no later than December 31, 2011. Regulatory changes would be implemented as soon as revisions are released.
www.changsha.gov.cn/xxgk/szfgbmxxgkml/szfgzbmxxgkml/szffzb/tzgg_1966/201201/t20120104_299869.html
- On December 31, 2011, the Taoyuan municipal government released a circular announcing that it had completed the required document removal work, confirming that the two existing regulations dealing with government procurement were both valid and that there were no documents that required elimination or suspension.
www.taoyuan.gov.cn/html/2011/12/31/22016.html
- On February 20, 2012, the Hunan provincial government released a circular announcing the results of its work to clean up regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement, including revisions to the three provincial measures: the Notice on Certain Supporting Measures for the Implementing the State Council's Medium- and Long-Term National Plan for Science and Technology Development (2006–20), the Notice on Certain Opinions for Supporting New Energy Industry Development, and the Implementing Opinions on Further Strengthening and Reforming Government Procurement Management Work.
www.hnfgw.gov.cn/xxgk/sdfxfg/27119.html

- On January 29, 2012, the Xiangtan municipal government released a circular announcing that it would immediately halt the implementation of four regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement: the 2003 Critical Notice on Prohibiting Secret and Uncontrolled Construction of Tombs, the 2007 Implementing Opinions on Supporting the Development of Independent Brand Automobiles and its clarification circular, and the 2010 Notice Issuing the Implementing Plan for Government Procurement of Indigenous Innovation Products and the Administrative Measures of the Certification of Indigenous Innovation Products.
www.xiangtan.gov.cn/new/wszf/wjgz/zfwj/szfgfxwj/content_26596.html

Inner Mongolia

- On December 21, 2011, the Inner Mongolia autonomous regional government issued a circular referencing the November 17 State Council notice and calling on governments below the provincial level to implement the policy and submit progress reports to the Inner Mongolia Legislative Office by January 31, 2012.
www.nmfzb.gov.cn/information/fzb17/msg548586222.html
- On February 24, 2012, the Inner Mongolia Health Department announcing that it would halt implementation of a 2007 notice aimed at implementing the spirit of MOF rules on indigenous innovation and government procurement.
www.nmwst.gov.cn/html/ywlm/ghcw/ztxx/201202/27-46596.html

Jiangsu

- In November 2011, the Jiangsu provincial government released a circular that is believed to order on all government and agencies at or below the provincial level to halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011.
(Full link not available, but referenced in
www.jscz.gov.cn/pub/jscz/zfxxgk/zfxxgkml/zfcg/11/201112/t20111231_22292.html)
- On November 25, 2011, the Changzhou Municipal Working Group for Comprehensive Promotion of Legal Administration Work released a circular announcing that implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents should be halted no later than December 1, 2011, and that all government agencies at or below the Changzhou municipal level should review existing regulations for compliance. The municipal committee, city government, and directly administered offices should report initial results of their review and recommended changes to the Changzhou Legislative Office by December 5, 2011, while all municipal-level government organs, district governments, and governments of other directly administered cities should report to the same office by December 10, 2011.
www.changzhou.gov.cn/gi_news/133994310012279
- On November 29, 2011, the Qidong municipal government released a circular announcing that any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents should be eliminated and implementation halted no later than December 1, 2011. Regulatory changes should be completed by December 10, 2011, with progress reports given to the Qidong Legislative Office the same day.
www.qidong.gov.cn/art/2011/11/30/art_1768_125686.html
- On December 6, 2011, the Wuxi municipal government released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011. Relevant departments and agencies should submit progress reports to the Wuxi Legislative Office by December 10, 2011. That office will summarize and submit a final report to the municipal government by December 15, 2011.
www.wuxi.gov.cn/zfxxgk/szfxgkml/zcfg/szfbgswj/5969581.shtml

- On December 8, 2011, the Donghai municipal government released a circular announcing that government entities, in accordance with Jiangsu provincial measures, must eliminate or revise any regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement and announce which documents remain in effect, and which are eliminated or suspended. The notice called on all relevant departments to submit results of removal work by December 20, 2011.
xxgk.jsdh.gov.cn/zhengfuxinxigongkai/xianzhengfubangongshi/2011-12-31/2583.html
- On December 27, 2011, the Jiangsu Finance Bureau released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation as of December 1, 2011 of three provincial notices: the 2006 Jiangsu Provincial Administrative Measures Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation, the 2007 Jiangsu Implementing Opinions on Indigenous Innovation Products and Government Procurement, and the 2010 Jiangsu Provisional Implementing Measures for Initial Government Procurement and Ordering of Indigenous Innovation Products.
www.jscz.gov.cn/pub/jscz/zfxgk/zfxgkml/zfcg/11/201112/t20111231_22292.html
- On January 10, 2012, the Nanjing municipal government issued a decision announcing the elimination and revision of a broad mix of documents – including some of those related to innovation and government procurement. These changes include the elimination of 2008 measures to promote innovation in enterprises and revisions to 2009 measures on promoting enterprise growth and stable, rapid development and to 2010 policies for promoting the software and information service industries. While revisions removed explicit ties between government procurement and innovation, the notices do still call for government support and promotion of indigenous innovation software products and services.
www.js.gov.cn/xxgk/bmhsxwj/sxwj/201201/t20120119_712053.html
- On February 3, 2012, the Xuzhou municipal government announced the results of its round of regulatory changes designed to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement, stating that city government agencies had eliminated specific provisions in the 2006 Circular on Encouraging and Promoting Scientific and Technological Innovation and Start-ups and the 2009 Outline of Xuzhou’s Intellectual Property Strategy.
(Link inactive, but formerly available at 58.218.194.33/xzxxgk/nrglIndex.action?catalogID=ba5a42a118c5c8140118c5ef68980046&type=2&messageID=ff80808135a7cddd0135ebc1c7f604a2)

Jiangxi

- On December 31, 2011, four Jiangxi governmental agencies – including the Jiangxi Commission of Science and Technology and the Jiangxi Finance Bureau – jointly released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of the 2009 Jiangxi Provisional Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation Management Rules as of July 10, 2011.
www.ncinfo.gov.cn/Newsite/content_detail.asp?id=40904

Jilin

- On November 28, 2011, the Jilin provincial government released a notice rejecting a proposed policy that would have offered preferential government procurement to a local computer brand, Zhuo’er. In its rationale for rejecting the proposal, the notice cites the June 2011 Ministry of Finance notice and states that Jilin provincial authorities had halted implementation of relevant policies linking indigenous innovation and government procurement as a primary rationale for rejecting the proposal.
jl.gov.cn/zwgk/yatabl/zxwylmta2010/2011_38838/201311/t20131128_1573761.html

Liaoning

- On December 23, 2011, the Liaoning Finance Bureau announced that it would halt implementation of the 2006 Opinions on Vigorously Promoting Government Procurement Policies to Promote Indigenous Innovation, as well as specific provisions in the 2009 Liaoning Provisional Management Rules for Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation, the 2008 Implementing Opinions on Further Modeling Government Procurement Bidding and Tendering Activities, and the 2009 Guiding Opinions for the Promoting Small- and Medium-Sized Enterprise Development through Government Procurement Policies.
www.fd.ln.gov.cn/web/detail.jsp?id=8a98819d34cfac22013540d6d25b02d1
- On January 11, 2012, the Shenyang Finance Bureau released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of 2009 implementing measures to promote model government procurement bidding activities no later than January 1, 2012.
www.ccg-p-shenyang.gov.cn/syzfcgweb/Notice_view.aspx?news_id=335

Ningxia

- On December 21, 2011, the Yanchi county government released a circular calling for governments at or below the county level to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. All departments and agencies should report suggestions for regulatory changes or results of such work to the Yanchi county government by December 25, 2011. (Link inactive, but formerly available at xxgk.yanchi.gov.cn/detail.asp?id=1592)
- On January 18, 2012, the Dawukou autonomous regional government announced that it would halt the implementation of the Administrative Regulations for Dawukou Government Procurement.
govinfo.nlc.gov.cn/nxfz/xxgk/dwkqrmzfwgk/201201/t20120119_1309802.html?classid=363
- On February 17, 2012, the Wuzhong Municipal Legislative Office released a review of its 2011 work and its direction for 2012. This report notes that it had completed a review of local regulations to ensure compliance with requirements not to link innovation policies and government procurement, and had not found any regulations that were out of compliance.
xn-xcrtj123e.xn-fiqs8s/article/dfxx/dffzxx/nx/201202/20120200360611.shtml

Shandong

- On July 4, 2011, the Shandong Finance Bureau released a circular, which referenced the June MOF circular, calling on provincial government agencies to implement MOF government procurement policies.
www.ccg-p-shandong.gov.cn/fin_info/servlet/attach?type=site&id=832

Shanxi

- On December 13, 2011, the Anze county government called for governments at all levels to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement in line with China's external commitments. Such regulatory changes must be completed by December 25, 2011, and should post online a list of which documents are still in effect and which have been eliminated or suspended. Regulatory documents that are not listed online in this manner should cease implementation after January 1, 2012.
www.anze.gov.cn/info/news/shows/2697.htm
- On February 12, 2012, the Gujiao municipal government released a circular announcing that all government entities at or below the municipal level must halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents, and must begin work to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. Results of the work must be reported to the Gujiao Legislative Office by February 20, 2012. (Link inactive, but formerly available at www.sxgujiao.gov.cn/gfgw/bgtwj/2010bgt/201203/561314199.html)

Shanghai

- On July 1, 2011, the Shanghai branches of MOST and MOF announced the immediate invalidation of Shanghai's catalogue of indigenous innovation products.
www.czj.sh.gov.cn/zcfg/gfxwj/zcfg/201107/t20110708_128211.html

Sichuan

- On July 11, 2011, the Chengdu Government Procurement Service Center announced that it would no longer award extra points for indigenous innovation products during the evaluation process for five specific municipal-level government procurement projects as of July 1.
www.cd-procurement.gov.cn/zfcgsite/Secondary/BulletinInfo.aspx?nav_id=03010000&id=611

Tianjin

- On July 1, 2011, the Tianjin Finance Bureau announced that it would no longer award extra points for nationally and locally accredited indigenous innovation products in the evaluation process for government procurement programs starting July 1, and released a list of bidding projects prior to July 1 that would need to be reviewed for compliance with the new notice.
www.caigou2003.com/news/notice/20110810/notice_189881.html
- On November 30, 2011, four Tianjin governmental agencies – the Tianjin Finance Bureau, Tianjin Commission of Science and Technology, Tianjin Intellectual Property Office, and the Tianjin Development and Reform Commission – released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of the 2010 Tianjin Indigenous Innovation Product Government Procurement Catalogue 1 and the 2011 Tianjin Indigenous Innovation Product Government Procurement Catalogue 2, as of December 1, 2011.
www.tjjj.gov.cn/upload/File/20111215160915059.pdf
- On June 26, 2012, the Tianjin municipal government released a circular, announcing that the city would halt implementation of the 2009 Tianjin Provisional Management Rules for Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation Management Rules.
www.tjzfxgk.gov.cn/tjep/ConInfoParticular.jsp?id=33352

Xinjiang

- On November 23, 2011, the Bayingolin Mongol autonomous prefectural government released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011. Regulatory changes must be complete by December 13, 2011, and reported to the Bayingolin Legislative Office.
www.xjbz.gov.cn/fzb/html/tzgg/2011-11/25/10_55_20_462.html
- On November 30, 2011, the Xinjiang Science and Technology Bureau released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of the 2009 Xinjiang Provisional Indigenous Innovation Product Accreditation Management Rules as of December 1, 2011.
www.xjkjt.gov.cn/www.xjkjt.gov.cn/kjdt/tztg/2011/40592.htm
- On December 8, 2011, the Hutubi county government released a circular announcing that it would halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011. Relevant departments and agencies should complete regulatory changes and report to the Hutubi Legislative Office by December 10, 2011.
www.htb.gov.cn/arc,70,769.php

Yunnan

- On August 16, 2011, the Yunnan Finance Bureau released a circular referencing the June 2011 State Council and requesting relevant government agencies at all levels to comply.
www.ynwszcz.gov.cn/show.asp?id=1925

- On September 20, 2011, the Wenshan municipal government released a circular referencing the August 2011 Yunnan Finance Bureau circular and requesting relevant government agencies, including finance bureaus at the city, district, and county level, to comply.
www.ynwsz.gov.cn/show.asp?id=1925
- In late November or early December 2011, the Yunnan Legislative Office released a circular that is believed to call on all government and agencies at or below the provincial level to halt implementation of any measures that link innovation and government procurement within regulatory documents no later than December 1, 2011.
(Full link not available, but referenced in www.cxlaw.gov.cn/show.asp?id=4674)
- On December 8, 2011, the Chuxiong Yi autonomous prefectural government issued a circular, referencing a similar notice from the Yunnan provincial government, calling on that government entities to carry out regulatory changes and should submit progress reports to the Chuxiong Legislative Office by December 16, 2011.
www.cxlaw.gov.cn/show.asp?id=4674
- On December 20, 2011, the Qujing municipal government in a report released on its performance in 2011 stated that it had begun the work of eliminating or revising documents that link innovation and government procurement measures.
(Link inactive, but formerly available at qj.xxgk.yn.gov.cn/canton_model25/newsview.aspx?id=1645716)
- On January 17, 2012, the Yongshan county government released a notice, soliciting comments on the results of work to eliminate or revise regulatory documents linking innovation and government procurement. The government asked for comments on elimination or revision of eleven relevant documents. Comments and recommended changes are due to the government by February 20, 2012.
zt.xxgk.yn.gov.cn/ztmode/newsview.aspx?id=1666995