



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY
WASHINGTON DC

Chief Information Officer

12 AUG 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR ALMAJCOM-FOA-DRU/CV

FROM: AF-CIO

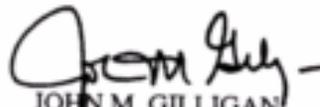
SUBJECT: Information Technology (IT) Purchasing--Use of AFWay (03-12)

The Air Force has developed AFWay to provide a re-engineered purchasing process for acquiring and managing IT. Since March of 2002, AFWay has been offering a completely automated, web-based tool for acquiring COTS IT products (desktop computers, notebooks, software and basic peripheral devices.) It is now giving us better control and enhanced tracking of IT products. AFWay is being used widely across the AF.

As the lead for AFWay requirements across the Air Force, the ACC CIO is now endorsing the mandatory use of AFWay. I concur with that recommendation. Beginning 12 August 2003, it will be Air Force policy that AFWay will be used for all purchases of desktop and notebook computers.

Deviation from this policy requires written approval from the appropriate MAJCOM CIO or Air Staff functional area CIO. This waiver authority will not be delegated. Waivers are required prior to obtaining notebooks or desktop computers from any non-AFWay source. All waivers must be forwarded to the AF-CIO/R and will be retained by the AF-CIO Secretariat for periodic review by the Air Force CIO Executive Committee.

AFWay is online at <https://afway.af.mil>


JOHN M. GILLIGAN
Chief Information Officer