



# Build America, Buy America (BABA) Products and Solutions

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Win more projects – Distributor overview

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# Distributors

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# BABA Products from ABB

## Distributor overview

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What is BABA?

# BABA Basics

## Federal financial assistance for US infrastructure projects



### BENEFITS FOR END-USERS

- Bid on federally funded US infrastructure projects
- Access to government agency grants, co-op agreements and loan guarantees
- Certified BABA compliance providing peace of mind
- Localized supply chain, reducing delays
- Supports US based manufacturing
- Boosts local economy resilience



### DESCRIBE THE BABA ACT

- Build America, Buy America
- Domestic Preference
- IJIA Enacted Nov 15, 2021
- 2 CFR Part 184
- States, municipality & non-profit entities
- BABA is not Buy American Act or Inflation Reduction Act
- Manufactured products contain >55% cost of US components



### APPLICATIONS

-  Government facilities
-  Transportation & airports
-  Road & bridge equipment
-  Dams, ports & harbors
-  Water & wastewater
-  Broadband infrastructure
-  EV charging
-  Electrical facilities & utilities
-  Universities & schools












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**BABA Products**

# BABA & NEMA Compliance with ABB Products

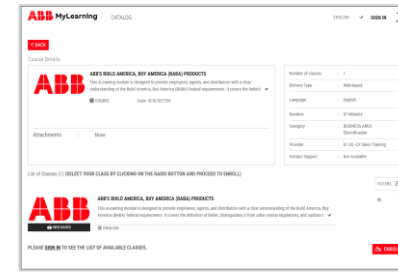
## ABB ELECTRIFICATION

The following product groups offer all or limited scope BABA compliance:

- Busway 
- Circuit breakers\*
- Enclosed circuit breakers
- Instrument transformers 
- Lighting contactors
- Lighting panelboards 
- Load interrupter switchgear (LIS) 
- LV dry-type transformers
- LV switchgear 
- MV switchgear 
- NEMA controls
- Overhead disconnect switches, cutouts & fuses 
- Power panelboards 
- Safety switches – Heavy Duty 
- Switchboards – Configured EUSERC 
- Test switches & accessories 

## RESOURCES

- BABA product line card
- Most frequently asked questions (FAQ)
- ABB MyLearning – course # 9CSC027259



<https://electrification.us.abb.com/abb-america>



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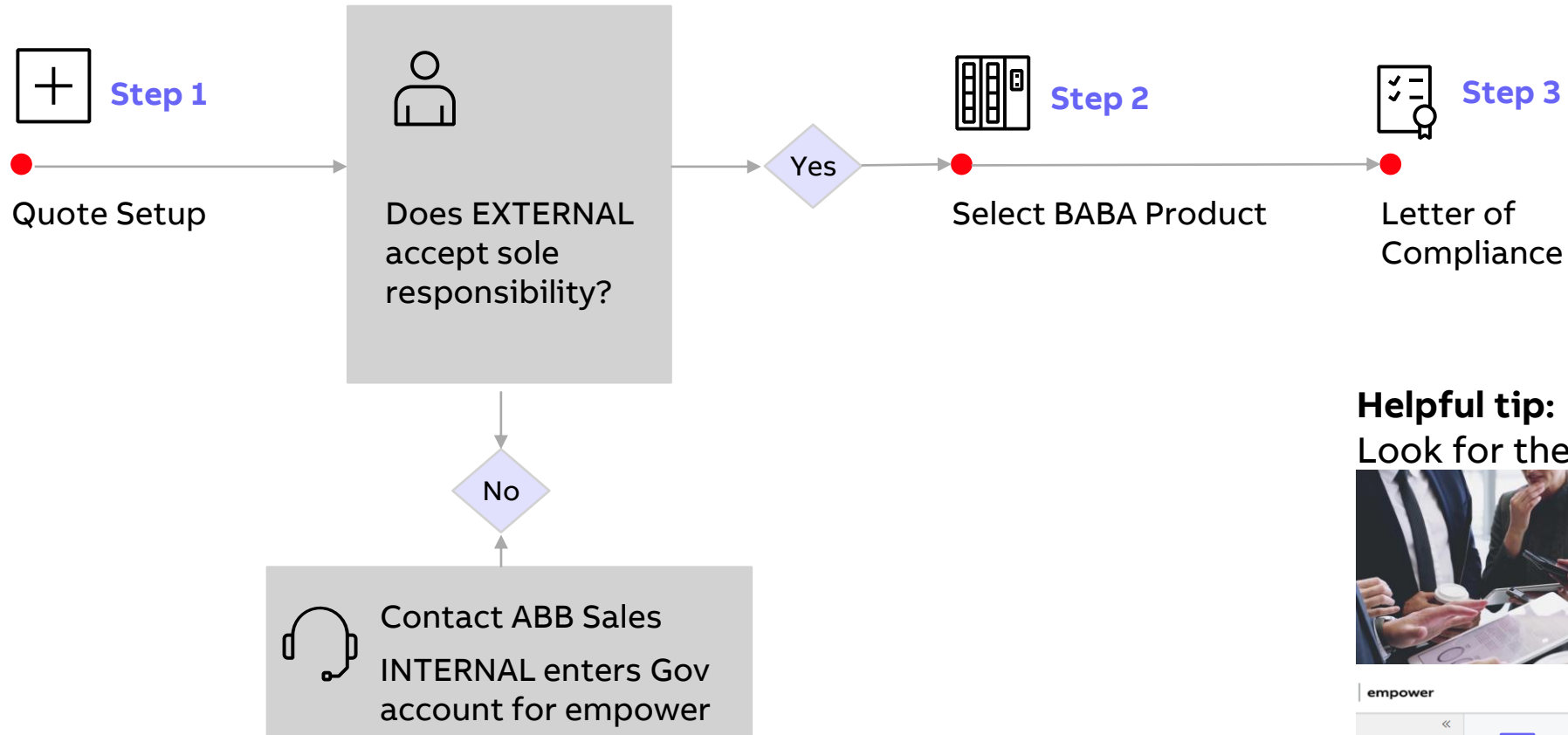
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How to order in  
ABB empower?

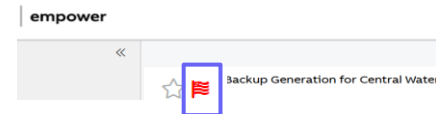
# How to order BABA in ABB empower?

## Flowchart

What steps are needed to select BABA products within the Domestic Preference (DP) process?



**Helpful tip:**  
Look for the U.S. flag



# Step 1: Quote setup

## External view of empower

**How does a Distributor start a selection of BABA products within the Domestic Preference process? Two options:**

1. You will see **Domestic Preference** under the **Government Requirements** selection on the **Add New Quote** screen
2. Contact your ABB sales account manager

**Add New Quote** [Cancel] [Save]

Quote Name  
BABA Test #5

Due Date Clear 2/20/2025 [Calendar] Submit Date Clear 2/17/2025 [Calendar]

Description

Sold To Account 1234567 John Q Customer, Anytown [Search]

End User optional [Search]

Sales Organization/Region ABB IS United States [Dropdown] Territory US 101 Sioux Falls [Dropdown]

Channel Type Distribution [Dropdown] Currency United States Dollar [Dropdown]

Output Language English - United States [Dropdown]

**Government Requirements**  
Does this quote have US/Domestic Products, Prevailing Wage, DPAS or similar federal requirements?  
 Yes  No  Domestic Preference

By proceeding with this quotation, you certify that all domestic preference compliance and remedies are your sole responsibility. In addition, you attest that there are no additional government provisions.

[Cancel] [Save]

Select to begin BABA process

Read legal certification



## Step 2: Select BABA

Products and component selection is easy

In some cases, the **entire** product line is BABA so the product will automatically be BABA compliant.

In other cases, there is **limited scope** for BABA which requires an additional BABA checkbox selection.

Select **Build America, Buy America (2 CFR Part 184) Compliant** on the product configuration screens for each item.

The following products have limited scope for BABA:

- SACE® Tmax® XT & Emax 2 Circuit Breakers\*
- Enclosed circuit breakers (ECB)
- ReliaGear® neXT Power Panels
- ReliaGear® Lighting Panels
- ReliaGear® SB Switchboards - Configured
- Spec Setter™ Safety Switches – Heavy duty
- Low Voltage Dry-Type Transformers

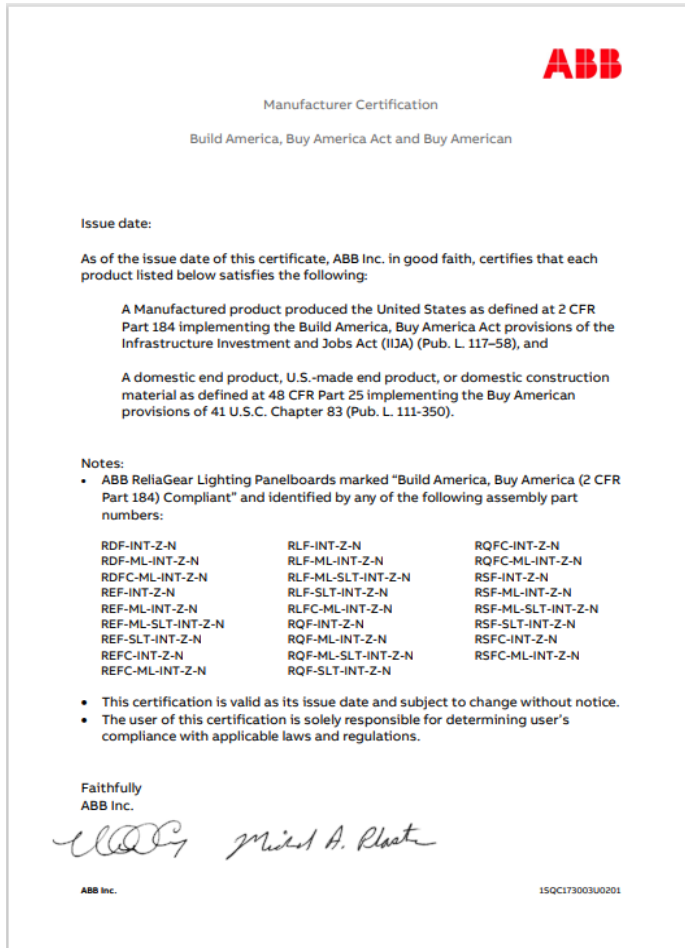
The screenshot shows the configuration screen for a Lighting Panelboard, ReliaGear RQ. The interface includes a navigation bar at the top with options like Lineup, Incoming Device, Feeders, Options, Layout, Drawings, and Directory Card. The main configuration area is divided into several sections: Item #, Quantity, Marks, Assembly Centers, Service Entrance, Voltage, Service, IC Rating (KAIC), Panel Type, Incoming Type, Amps, Rating Type, Feed Location, Mounting Type, Bus and Enclosure, Lugs, Lug Option Type, Lug Configuration, Enclosure Type, Neutral Rating, Neutral Option, and Ground Lugs. A red box highlights the checkbox for 'Build America, Buy America (2 CFR Part 184)' under the 'Service' section.

Not all products are BABA compliant. Click on BABA checkboxes for each product in a quote, every time.

\* Classified for use as BABA components *inside* ABB or OEM equipment only

# Step 3: BABA documentation

## Certificate of compliance letters available online



- [Busway](#)
- [Circuit breakers](#)
- [Enclosed circuit breakers](#)
- [Instrument transformers](#)
- [Lighting panelboards](#)
- [Load interrupter switchgear](#)
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Resources

# Resources

## Learn more about Build America, Buy America (BABA)

### ABB RESOURCES

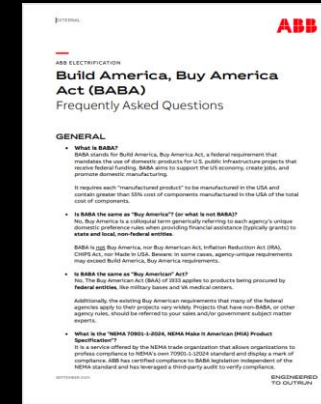
- [ABB in America Electrification website](#)
- [U.S. Electrification Line Card - Build America Buy America](#)
- [ABB empower help center](#) – Keyword search “BABA”
- [BABA Frequently Asked Questions FAQ](#) – EXTERNAL
- E-learning: [ABB’s Build America, Buy America \(BABA\) Products](#)

### ABB FACILITY OVERVIEWS

- [Arecibo, Puerto Rico](#)
- [Mebane, North Carolina](#)
- [Mount Juliet, Tennessee](#)
- [Pinetops, North Carolina](#)
- [Selmer, Tennessee](#)
- [Senatobia, Mississippi](#)

### GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

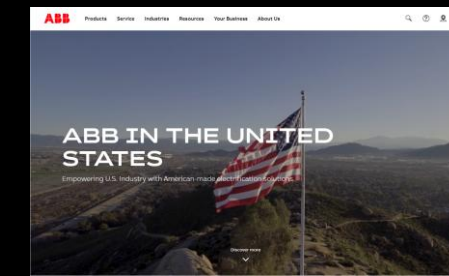
- [Made in America](#)
- Federal Register 88 FR 57787, Aug. 23, 2023 - Office of Management and Budget, [Guidance for Grants and Agreements](#)



### FAQs



### Presentation



### ABB in America Website



### Product line card



### ABB facility overviews

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