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DAS Contract Information

The following contracts were issued over the last 15 days.

Contract Number:	Contract Name:	For:	Contract Term:
<u>07PSX0068</u>	Paint Brushes, Rollers and Accessories	Department of Administrative Services, All Using State Agencies, and Political Subdivisions	Date of Award through March 31, 2010
<u>07PSX0034</u>	Purchase of Morse Watchman Key Watcher System including system components and two year warranty on parts, labor and technical support for the Department of Correction.	Department of Correction	Date of Award through February 29, 2012
<u>07PSX0099</u>	Repairs and Preventive Maintenance for two McQuay Chillers located at Connecticut Valley Hospital, Merritt Hall	Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services	April 11, 2007 through December 31, 2008
<u>07PSX0070</u>	Landscaping Services for three DPW Properties managed by DeMarco Management Corp	Department of Public Works	Date of Award through November 30, 2009
<u>07PSX0052</u>	Annual Start-up and Preventative Maintenance for a Dunham-Bush Chiller (Model WCX240B) located at Riverview Hospital in Middletown	Department of Children and Families – Riverview Hospital	April 1, 2007 through December 31, 2010
<u>06PSX0442</u>	Molded Plastic Furniture for All Using State Agencies, Political Subdivisions and Qualified Not-For-Profit Organizations	All Using State Agencies and Political Subdivisions	April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2012
<u>07PSX0022</u>	Retrieval and Sale of Scrap Aluminum	Department of Correction	April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2009
<u>06PSX0149</u>	Hazardous Spill Response, Recovery, Removal, and Disposal Services	Department of Environmental Protection	April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2010
<u>07PSX0061</u>	Rubbish Removal for Military Department's New Haven Armed Forces Readiness Center	Military Department	April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2010
<u>07PSX0020</u>	Custodial and Related Cleaning Services	Department of Public Safety	*April 1, 2007 through February 28, 2010 (Contract Extension Language Applies)

Contracts Expiring

Did you know that our state contracts are reviewed one to three months prior to the actual expiration date?

Click on the list of "Contracts Issued/Expiring In Last/Next 30/60/90/120 Days." Choose the radio button marked "Expiring Contracts" and select the time frame. Then click "Get Contracts," That's all there is to it! [Contract Search](#)

Bid Notice Postings

To view the entire DAS bid notice listing, click on the following hyperlink to go to our web page [DAS Bid Notices](#).

Certification Central

We have made it even easier for you to see which Connecticut vendors have recently become certified! Use the link we have provided to access the listing of **New Set-Aside Vendors certified in the last 7 days**. The link below lists the company name, contact information, product description and certification type for all Connecticut small businesses that were certified during the **previous** week.

http://www.das.state.ct.us/Purchase/ePartners/ep_whats_new.asp#Vendors

Questions regarding the Supplier Diversity Program can be directed to Meg Yetishefsky, Supplier Diversity Manager, at Meg.Yetishefsky@ct.gov or 860-713-5228.

Catalog Shopping?

Use this link to access the listing of the vendors, contract numbers and contract names that have been loaded into the [Core-CT](#) catalog.

Fuel for Thought

With gas and electric prices going up and up and up, what's DAS doing to help save energy? "We're doing a lot, with lots of initiatives already in place and more to come," said DAS Procurement Director Carol Wilson.

Wilson went on to explain that it's not just DAS working to save energy, "Talk about partnering with other state agencies. We work with DEP and OPM in trying to find ways to cut costs in energy and purchase more energy efficient products," she added.

Diesel fuel appears to be public enemy number one. In an effort to reduce the state's consumption of diesel, DAS is working on contracts regarding bio-diesel fuel – a diesel fuel mixed with a soy based oil - for a more cleaner and efficient fuel. Also on the radar is eliminating that wonderful diesel fuel smell. DAS and DEP are teaming to establish a contract for diesel retrofits that will reduce diesel emissions on school buses and industrial trucks keeping the air cleaner. An added bonus is that CT Transit will be encouraged to use this contract for all city buses.

"The state is trying to be as proactive as possible in this area," said Wilson, "There's a lot of action at the federal level to protect the environment and it slowly trickles down to the state level. However, I do think Connecticut is steadily moving ahead in our efforts to save energy."

And what about DAS' fleet of over 4,000 state vehicles? Less than one percent of the fleet consists of diesel fuel vehicles. With a real push towards E85 fuel, natural gas and electric-unleaded hybrid vehicles, and with 125 hybrids on order, a mix of fuel alternatives keeps the fleet non-reliant on any one type of fuel.

And of course DAS is ahead of the curve. A bill in this year's legislature, states that after 2010 all new cars and light trucks bought by the state must be powered by alternate fuel, hybrid electric or plug-in electric motors.

"Having a diverse pool of vehicles that can use various sources of fuel is the way to go," said DAS' Fleet Director Tom Yuhas. "Instead of the fleet being totally dependent on one type of fuel, we diversify our consumption to more environmentally friendly fuels with lower emissions as well."

"I really believe the majority of successes are yet to come," said DAS Procurement's Paul Greco. "Saving energy and saving the environment have been discussed at all levels of government for years. However these things take time, and I think their time is coming. We've worked on initiatives in the past, we continue to work on these types of conservation issues today, and we'll continue to work on them in the future."

Justice Prevails

The synopsis of the link below is that a procurement supervisor in Wisconsin ended up in jail recently due to an RFP evaluation and resulting contract award. Recently, her lawyers appealed her case and charges were dropped, but nevertheless it affects the procurement community especially when she did not do what they charged her with. Luckily, it has ended on a positive note, but she went through a lot to get to this point. "Keep pushing to do the right thing! It will always pay off in the long run," said DAS Procurement Director Carol Wilson. <http://www.jsonline.com/story/index.aspx?id=587510>

Looking for Bed Liners (Sheets) and Pillowcases?

Bed liners and pillowcases previously purchased under Contract Award 03PSX0280 are now available through Correctional Enterprises of Connecticut.

Please contact Jim Gaglione at (860)263-6848 for more information.

NASPO Info

NASPO Eastern Regional Meeting – May 14-16, Newport, Rhode Island. Registration now available at <https://www.amrms.com/ssl/naspo/secure/2007eastCoop.cfm>

NASPO Annual Conference – September 24-27, Savannah, Georgia