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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>07PSX0244</u>	Liquid Calcium Chloride	Department of Transportation, All Using State Agencies, and Political Subdivisions	Date of Award through June 30, 2008
<u>07PSX0260</u>	Temporary Manufactured Shelters	Department of Public Health, All Using State Agencies, and Political Subdivisions	Date of Award through September 30, 2009
<u>07PSX0301</u>	Rubbish Removal Services for Department of Public Safety/State Police	Department of Public Safety	December 1, 2007 through November 30, 2010
<u>07PSX0266</u>	RENTAL OF TRUCKS - 32,000 GVWR - WITH OPERATORS	Department of Transportation	Date of Award through May 31, 2008
<u>07PSX0106</u>	Management of Spent Deicing Fluid and Removal of Glycol from Airport Waste Water	Bradley International Airport	November 6, 2007 through September 30, 2012
<u>07PSX0247</u>	For the purchase of a minimum capacity 1.3 cubic yard loader bucket, all wheel drive, diesel-powered BACKHOE/LOADER.	Department of Transportation and All Using State Agencies	Date of Award through September 30, 2009

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 vendors, contract numbers and contract names that have been loaded into the [Core-CT](#) catalog.

Governor Rell Celebrates Clean Contracting Bill

On November 13, 2007 Governor M. Jodi Rell celebrated Public Act 07-1, *An Act Concerning Clean Contracting Standards*, calling the passage of tough new state laws governing state contracting, the fruit of one of her very first actions as Governor.

In a ceremonial bill signing on the Capitol steps where she first took the oath of office on July 1, 2004, Governor Rell recalled that she took over at a difficult moment – a moment when public faith in government had been shaken by scandal. “I said we would chart a new course to restore faith, integrity and honor to our government,” Governor Rell said. “On July 8, 2004, we established the Task Force on Contracting Reform and charged it with reviewing and recommending improvements in the procedures used by the state of Connecticut to purchase goods and services. I said we would return pride to our state. Today, that pride has returned. “We now have the strongest ethics laws in the nation. We implemented Campaign Finance Reform. And today I am signing the Clean Contracting Bill,” the Governor said. “Someone once said: ‘We must be trusted to always place the public’s good above our own and to always choose fairness over favoritism.’ That someone was yours truly – I said it in my first State of the State speech in 2005. I promised to clean up state contracting. I always keep my promises.”

Governor Rell noted that the bill requires state agencies to hold contractors to a higher standard – more specifically, it requires the state to perform a cost-benefit analysis before contracting out state services to private consultants.

It creates a state contracting standards board with the power to review contracts and uniform procurement procedures. The board will audit state agencies triennially to ensure compliance with procurement policies and the board may recommend termination of an existing contract for cause.

The bill also requires the board to review all new proposed privatization contracts to ensure that the state saves money without jeopardizing the quality of services. The Governor officially signed the bill into law on October 6. “Today is what good government is all about,” Governor Rell said. “Today, we are sending a message throughout Connecticut and throughout the country that our state has chosen fairness over favoritism. On behalf of all Connecticut residents, here at this chilly but fitting location, I am proud to sign this clean contracting standards bill into law.”

New Cooperative Clothing Contract

On Monday, December 10, 2007 the DAS Procurement Division, in conjunction with Bob Irvine, Procurement Manager from the State of Massachusetts, will be joining Connecticut to educate our state agencies on the new Cooperative Clothing Contract. The training will be held at the Department of Transportation in Newington, and will begin at 9:30 am. Highlights include an overview of new contracts, displays by contract suppliers and more! To register please contact Ada Rivera at (860)713-5048 or Ada.Rivera@ct.gov.

FOR MORE INFORMATION on the NASPO Clothing Contract: http://www.das.state.ct.us/Purchase/bl_Contract_display_detail.asp?FTran_Type=3&FID=13798

Snow Business like Small Business

In continuing efforts to promote small businesses and meet state goals, approximately 90 percent of snow removal contracts have been awarded to small businesses.

“It’s been a combined effort to sign-up small businesses and teach them how to apply for these contracts,” said Supplier Diversity Program Manager Meg Yetishefsky. “It proves that what we’re doing here is working.”

The Department of Public Works, and the State Department of Education are some of the awarding agencies.

“Most of our snowplowing contractors run landscaping or construction businesses during the other seasons. All are familiar with the state contracting process and nearly all have held a state contract at one time or another. The fact that so many of these contractors have been certified as small or minority businesses are indicative of superlative outreach work by the Supplier Diversity Program,” said Contract Specialist Mark Carroza.

The State’s Supplier Diversity program targets that at least 25% of the state’s business is transacted with small businesses including those owned by minorities, women and the disabled. To participate, simply register with the Department of Administrative Services. Once certified, you can bid on contracts covered by the program as well as all other state contracts. Visit: http://www.das.state.ct.us/Purchase/New_purchHome/busopp_template.asp?FID=25