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# DAS Contract Information

The following contracts were issued over the last 15 days.

Contract Number:	Contract Name:	For:	Contract Term:
<a href="#"><u>08PSX0106</u></a>	Bituminous Concrete Materials and Bridge Deck Membrane Waterproofing	Department of Transportation, All Using State Agencies, and Political Subdivisions	May 22, 2008 through February 28, 2009
<a href="#"><u>07PSX0275</u></a>	Office Caseloads Furniture (Metal and Wood) to include Desks, Lateral Files, Vertical Files, Ergonomic Task Chairs, Bookcases, Storage Cabinets and Tables.	All Using State Agencies, Political Sub-Divisions of the State and Not-For-Profit Organizations	June 1, 2008 though May 31, 2013

## 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](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](mailto: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.

## **Rearranging the Furniture Contract**

Contract [03PSX0165](#) for office furniture, lounge furniture, dormitory furniture, hospital furniture and library furniture will expire on May 31, 2008. Due to the complexity of the contract, DAS is trying to get the most utilized portions awarded as quickly as possible without a major lapse in the contract.

However, the library furniture portion of the contract will lapse TOMORROW, May 31, 2008, and DAS anticipates having the new replacement contract in place by September / October 2008. In the interim, agencies that have a need for items on the library contract should make sure orders are placed prior to the contract expiration date. If orders are not placed prior to May 31, 2008, please utilize GL-71 authority until a new contract is awarded.

DAS will have contract [07PSX0275](#), the office furniture piece of this contract, awarded by June 1, 2008 with no lapse in contract. This portion includes the following products: conference tables, folding tables, cafeteria / training tables, table caddys, ergonomic seating, guest / conference seating, stackable chairs, folding chairs, chair caddys, metal desks, wood suites / executive wood furniture, vertical files, lateral files, bookcases, storage cabinets, podiums and lecterns.

DAS is currently working on evaluating RFP #07PSX0285 which includes lounge furniture, dormitory furniture, household furniture and hospital furniture. Our goal is to have the new contract in place by July 1, 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact Susanne Hawkins at (860) 713-5064 or email [Susanne.Hawkins@ct.gov](mailto:Susanne.Hawkins@ct.gov).

***This article is being rerun from the last issue of BuyLines to highlight the expiration date of contract 03PSX0165.***

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## **A Message to All State Agency**

### **Purchasing Staff:**

On January 15, 2008 Attorney General Richard Blumenthal issued an opinion regarding payment of minimum wages to state contractors. <http://www.ct.gov/ag/cwp/view.asp?A=1770&Q=404214>.

This opinion may also affect certain agency purchase orders issued under General Letter #71 Delegated Purchase Authority. As this will have budgetary impact for DAS administered contracts, we will be administering contract supplements for all of those affected contracts including provisions to allow for such price adjustments. Future contracts will include additional provisions addressing minimum wage changes.

For the affected contracts (ex. primarily custodial services, landscaping services and food services, etc.) consistent with the Attorney General's Formal Opinion, DAS will authorize vendors who have employees earning minimum wage working on existing contracts to make price adjustments. The minimum wage may be found on the State Department of Labor's website:

**[www.ctdol.state.ct.us/wgwkstnd/wgemenu.htm](http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/wgwkstnd/wgemenu.htm)**

As with Standard Wage increases, the agency will be required to submit verification substantiating those wages to DAS for issuance of a Supplement for contract increases. Examples of wage verification may be copies of timecards/ payroll registers, etc.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact the appropriate DAS Contract Specialist for that commodity/service.