



BuyLines

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

OCTOBER 2009

Contracts

Certification Central

Core-CT Catalog

NASPO and DAS

State Vehicle Auction

Waterbury Transmission expands on state, municipal contracts

The following abridged article appeared in the Waterbury Republican American newspaper on October 12, 2009.

Marlynne Polakowski, who co-owns Waterbury Transmission Inc. with her husband, Steve, and Bill Wychulis, the shop's general manager, is going to need a bigger grill. Soon.

"It's beginning to look like those breakfast and lunch lines in front of Marlynne's grill will expand. Two new service contracts, one with the state and one with the town of Wolcott, likely will force the company to increase its work force from six to nine," Wychulis said.

"The company will hire at least one more mechanic over the next few weeks, and is likely to add two more workers to its support staff," he said.

Waterbury Transmission, a 16-year-old, full-service automotive engine repair shop that specializes in repairing and rebuilding transmissions, was started by the Polakowskis in 1993 at 1480 North Main St. That site once housed an auto repair shop that specialized in working on foreign cars, and a new car dealership before that. The couple recruited Wychulis, who had been working for a competitor, to join the business in 2002.

In August, the company was awarded a four-year contact with the state Department of Administrative Services to rebuild transmissions in all the cars, vans and small trucks driven by that department, the state Department of Transportation, the state Department of Environmental Protection and a number of other state agencies.

The contract designates Waterbury Transmission as the state's primary transmission rebuilding facility for the length of the contract.

Wychulis estimates it will bring an extra 200 or so vehicles to the North Main Street facility every year.

The new contract replaces a four-year deal Waterbury Transmission signed with Administrative Services in 2005.



▶ **Bid Notice Postings**

▶ **Contact Us**

Contracts over the last 15 Days

Click on the category to see the contract
Adobe Acrobat Required

09PSX0234 - For the purchase of 1,200 gallon skid-mounted anti-icing product tanks with spray bar and accessories

09PSX0261- Tree, Branch and Brush Mulching Services

For more information visit: www.das.state.ct.us

State Vehicle Auction

There will be a state vehicle auction Saturday, October 31 at the State Surplus Facility located at 60 State Street (rear of DMV), Wethersfield. Directions: I-91, Exit 26, follow auction signs. Inspection is the morning of the auction from 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. For more information, [click here](#).

Delivery Days vs. Furlough Days

Most state offices will be closed on Friday, November 27 and Thursday, December 24 due to mandatory state furlough days. Agencies are reminded not to schedule purchase deliveries on those days if your building is closed. DAS also reminds agencies to provide a written communication to any contractual service providers if you will not be requiring services in your building on the furlough days.

NASPO honors state procurement programs

Abridged article provided by GovPro.com

The National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) has presented its annual George Cronin Award for Procurement Excellence to three cutting-edge state purchasing programs.

Oregon's Department of Administrative Services State Procurement Office has received the 2009 Gold Cronin Award for Procurement Excellence for its Information Technology Managed Service Provider (IT MSP) for Hourly and Project-Based Services program

Oregon created the IT MSP initiative in 2005; it was the first of its kind in the U.S. Through it, the state contracted with a vendor to manage a pool of IT professionals that are available to state agencies for temporary work on either an hourly basis or for short-term projects. Through the IT MSP, agencies can access a pool of IT subcontractors and sub-consultants at standard rates, saving time and money.

NASPO presented the Silver 2009 Cronin Award for Procurement Excellence to Pennsylvania's Department of General Services (DGS) for its Energy Strategy. As part of its award-winning energy initiative, DGS developed and implemented a total review of appropriate plans for various energy markets: liquid fuels, natural gas, electricity, green renewable energy and coal.

New York state's Office of General Services (OGS) won the Cronin 2009 Bronze Award.

The Connecticut's Department of Administrative Services received two Honorable Mentions as part of the 2009 Cronin awards program; Amanda Starbala for Purchase Order roll process, and Kathleen Anderson for Core10 - Congratulations!

The Cronin Awards Program seeks to recognize outstanding public procurement initiatives and promote their adoption throughout the states. Submissions were judged against criteria including innovation, transferability, service improvement, uniqueness and originality, demonstrable cost-reduction, and the involvement of using agencies.