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EPP Replants Itself

Environmentally Preferred Purchasing (EPP) has really begun to grow. The under publicized rules and regulations that make state contracting more “green” from five or six years ago, have begun to grab center stage as the state, and the world, begin to focus on what can be done to make state contracting more environmentally friendly.

With that said, DAS Procurement is taking efforts to move EPP language and rules to the forefront of their webpage.

“Instead of it being tucked away in the sidebar of our webpage, we’re looking to bring it front and center,” said DAS Procurement Director Carol Wilson. She went on to explain that EPP is a topic that has continued to grow and gain a lot of attention from the public and state lawmakers.



“We’d like to provide a comprehensive site where all state EPP questions can be answered and referenced accordingly,” said Carol. “Both private citizens and those within state government are very curious to know the ins and outs of green purchasing and what kind of role the state plays in green contracting,” she added.

Part of the process is updating and editing the information already available on the DAS website. Procurement’s Don Casella will pour through the data to update information and make sure web links are intact, while at the same time, looking for other resources of information that procurement can use in promoting EPP.

“It’s good to keep an eye on what other states are doing regarding EPP and we’ll introduce new links and connections to sources of information we feel are important,” said Casella.

We’d also like to hear from other state agencies regarding Environmentally Preferred Purchasing contracts and usage. Please email Don.Casella@ct.gov with your thoughts and suggestions on EPP.

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PIR for Fire Alarm Systems

State agencies requiring Testing, Inspection, Maintenance, Repair, and Purchase of Fire Alarm Systems for the following systems: Edwards, Gamewell, Siemens, FireLite and Silent need to complete the attached Pre-Itemized Requisition (PIR), SP-9 and Pre-Itemized Requisition – Agency Information (both documents are in WORD format).

Please note that the PIR has been revised to allow for any other systems that were not listed in the previous PIR. Please note that this PIR is not to be utilized for any Simplex or Notifier systems since there are already contracts for both systems. Agencies do not need to send a new PIR unless a fire alarm system was not listed previously in the PIR that was already sent to me.

The deadline for the PIR has been extended to 19 April 2010.

Please return the documents in WORD to Linda LoSchiavo via e-mail linda.loschiavo@CT.gov. If there are any questions, please contact Linda at 860-713-5078.

Bottled Water Policy

The Department of Administrative Services has formalized its bottle water policy. [Read it here](#).

Part of the policy states, “*State Agencies shall not purchase bottled water in any circumstance unless the tap water at the location is deemed unpotable. Agencies will be required to share with the Department of Administrative Services, Procurement Division, copies of their laboratory reports with the water testing results showing the water is unpotable to be granted an exception to this policy.*”

Please read the entire policy and use this as a reference within state agencies whenever the subject may come up.