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Telephone Cabling Contracts

The following Master Agreements are due to expire on September 21, 2015 with no option for renewal:

- [B-05-021](#) (05ITZ0021MA) – ComNet
- [B-05-022](#) (05ITZ0022MA) – Mercury
- [B-05-019](#) (05ITZ0019MA) - Valley Communications

The following contract options are still available:

- Master Agreement [B-05-016](#) (05ITZ0016MA) - with Voice New England for NEC telephone equipment and cabling - is still in place until March 15, 2016
- Agencies can also utilize the services of the Mercury Group through State Contract [13PSX0235](#) (Trade Labor – Electricians) for cabling only

Until a new contract is awarded, Agencies can exercise the following options with pre-approval from DAS Procurement office using the following verbiage:

For ComNet - [this GSA contract](#) can be used

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Save the Date - DAS Procurement Training Event - November 13

DAS Procurement will be offering an all-day training session to agency purchasing employees on a number of topics. The day, at Goodwin College on Friday November 13, will cover all the popular topics and information purchasing professionals need to know regarding state contracts and related programs. Registration is open and filling up fast. [Please use this link to register for the DAS Procurement Training.](#)



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Contracts Awarded over the last 14 Days

*Click on the category to see the contract
Adobe Acrobat Required*

13PSX0280 Minnesota NASPO ValuePoint Computer Equipment Contract

15PSX0036 Fabricated Extruded Aluminum Signs

15PSX0045 Pre-Printed and Single Color Reflective Sheeting for License Plate Production

15PSX0050 Blankets

15PSX0100 Inspections, repairs and cover replacement of fabric style salt sheds at various CT DOT Facilities

15PSX0113 Custodial Services DESPP facility located at 47 Mill Hill Road, Colchester

15PSX0155 Printing and mailing of CT-1040 and CT-1040 NR/PY Tax booklets

15PSX0173 Rental of Patient Oxygen Equipment & Purchase of Rental Equipment

15PSX0183 Custodial Services for the Military Dept's AFRC in New Haven

15PSX0190 Installation, Routine and Emergency Repairs to Overhead Doors

Got Spills?

Great news for users of the Secondary Containment and Spill Control Products contract, [12PSX0414](#).

As a cost savings to the State of Connecticut, K & S Distributors, Inc., has lowered the cost on 3 of the 8 line items, has increased the percentage discount from 25% to 32.5% for both Eagle and US Sorbents catalogs and, they are keeping 2013 pricing on other items until the extended date of February 28, 2019. All this and a CT certified Small Business Enterprise (SBE), too.

Click on the above link to check out these great savings and/or to contact K & S directly. Any questions regarding the contract can also be directed to teresa.dupont@ct.gov.

State Supplier Diversity Certifications Issued over the last 14 Days

The State's Supplier Diversity program targets at least 25% of the state's business be transacted with small businesses including those owned by minorities, women and the disabled. To participate, fill out an application with the Department of Administrative Services. Once certified, you can bid on contracts covered by the program as well as all other state contracts.

[Use this link to see the companies the DAS State Supplier Diversity program has certified over that past 14 days.](#)

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Expiring Telephone Cabling Contracts continued..

- “DAS/Procurement authorizes the use of the GSA contract linked below with ComNet per the authority granted under CGS 4a-66(b). Such purchases must be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of that contract.”

For Valley Communications - [this ITT50 - State of Massachusetts contract](#) can be used

- “DAS/Procurement authorizes the use of the Massachusetts contract with Valley Communications linked below per the authority granted under CGS 4a-53(b). Such purchases must be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of that contract, same statement except indicate CGS 4a-53(b).”

As always, it is also possible to follow the guidelines of General Letter [GL-71](#), which states:

Pursuant to the authority granted in Title 4a, Chapter 58, of the Connecticut General Statutes, as it may be amended from time to time, minor nonrecurring purchases of goods and/or services costing less than \$50,000.00 may be made, subject to the limitations set forth below, without prior and specific approval of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) or Department of Information Technology (DOIT), as appropriate, provided that a DAS or DOIT contract does not exist for the goods and/or services being acquired.

- a) Direct purchases of any type of goods or services up to \$2,500.00 (also known as open market purchases) may be made without obtaining quotations or bids. No Annual limits or restrictions are established.
- b) Purchases over \$2,500.00 and up to \$10,000.00 (annually) must be based upon, when possible, at least three written quotations (utilizing Form STO-93) or bids, from responsible and qualified sources of supply.
- c) Purchases over \$10,000.00 and less than \$50,000.00 (annually) must be based upon, when possible, at least three written quotations or bids, from responsible and qualified sources of supply. Agencies must also publish their request for quotation (Form STO-93) or bid notice on the State Bid/Contracting Portal at <http://das.ct.gov/portal> in accordance with the provisions in Executive Order #3 of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated December 15, 2004.

The State will be issuing an RFP soon and when that resulting contract is in place, these temporary purchasing guidelines will be redacted. Any questions may be directed to Kris Wohlgemuth (860) 713-5606.

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Contract 12PSX0184 (Office Supplies, Toner and Cut Sheet Paper) and Core CT

Effective November 1, 2015, DAS Procurement will no longer be loading full catalog files for contract award #12PSX0184 (Office Supplies, Toner and Cut Sheet Paper) in Core CT. Agencies are encouraged to place orders on the vendor's website and utilize the Purchasing Card (P-Card) for payment whenever possible. Here are some of the benefits of online ordering with our vendor's

- Customized web-based catalog with State of Connecticut's contract pricing
- Easy search and navigation (narrow your search by category - eco-conscious, recycled, brand, etc.)
- Full Color Graphics
- Cost Savings option for lower priced alternatives

For additional help for online ordering or use of P-Card, agencies should contact the contracted vendor on contract.

CCPA - Toner Only	Staples Advantage	Suburban Stationers
Kirk A. Springsted	Joel Hintz	Bob Shulman
860-257-7909	203-521-7635	860-347-0299

If you have any questions, please contact Jill Belisle at 860-713-5149 or via e-mail jill.belisle@ct.gov.

The Department of Administrative Services is proud to announce its new agency logo.

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Designed in-house by employees with employee feedback, we feel the new logo really unifies the agency as a whole.

Starting from the middle of the design, the Capitol graphic represents Connecticut state government.

The three stars above the capitol represent the three major businesses of DAS: The Bureau of Enterprise and System Technology, the Division of Construction Services and the original DAS organization.

Working outward, the dots around the capitol represent the 37 units within DAS.

The darker blue color represents the traditional state blue as we have a long history governing this state. The green complements the blues but it represents our continual eco-awareness of green purchasing, building and anything we do that impacts the environment. It also represents our mission of frugality and to leverage spending to run state government at a savings to the taxpayers. The light color blue represents our optimism and how we continually strive to serve our customers better, whether those customers are fellow state agencies, municipalities, private businesses or individual residents of Connecticut.

