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PCard-10-2014: Important: Office Supply 2 (OS2) BPA on Hold Due to Protest

This information is being sent on behalf of the Charge Card Service Center (CCSC) Program Office.

APCs,

GSA has received several GAO protests regarding the extensions of the Office Supply 2 (OS2) BPAs. Pursuant to regulation, GSA must suspend performance, otherwise known as a "stay of performance" until further notice. USDA was notified by email yesterday and per GSA they made this decision after extensive consideration. GSA has notified all OS2 BPA holders. **Agencies are not to utilize the BPA at this time.**

FOR USDA: GSA is reminding agencies that they may utilize MAS 75 for Office Supplies. However, OPPM/PPD is also suggesting that agencies may follow regular FAR procedures for purchasing office supplies until further notification on how to proceed. Procurement Advisory 97A for Office Supplies (OS2) usages is on hold at this time.

Should your agencies choose to utilize MAS 75 we have supplied the following information, however again it is not mandatory that this be the only source at this time.

If you need clarification on this message please send emails to procurement.policy@dm.usda.gov; if you have questions on the MAS 75 for supplies please contact the MAS POC provided below.

GUIDANCE FOR USE OF MAS 75:

MAS 75:

If you have any questions, please call the National Customer Service Center (NCSC) at (800) 488-3111 or direct your email inquiries to the Multiple Award Schedule Helpdesk at mashelpdesk@gsa.gov.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION MAS SCHEDULE 75
OFFICE PRODUCTS/SUPPLIES OFFICE SUPPLIES BPA SIN 75-200 TERMS AND CONDITIONS
MAS Contract Number GS-14F-0039L: Contract Period 4/15/2011 to 4/16/2016

GSA Contracting Officer Responsible for administration of these MAS and BPA contracts is: Michael Cullis. Phone number: 212-264-3561. Fax number 212-264-9759
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Please share this information with your cardholders.

Thanks for your support,
CCSC