

State of Georgia announces new Statewide Temporary Staffing-Clerical & Light Industrial Contract

The Georgia Department of Administrative Services, State Purchasing Division, has established new Statewide Contracts for Clerical and Light Industrial Temporary Staffing with the following suppliers:

- Abacus Corporation
- Dover Staffing
- Eagle Resource Group, Inc.
- Focus of Georgia, Inc.
- G4 Enterprises
- Happy Faces Personnel Group Inc.
- Shaga Consulting & Recruiting

These partnerships will provide service to all State of Georgia entities (departments, agencies, authorities, boards, commissions, offices, universities and colleges) as well as counties, cities, townships and other political subdivisions. The contracts are currently in effect with (3) three one-year options to renew. The first renewal will be April 30, 2009.

The sourcing effort for these new contracts was designed to lock in a range of competitive labor rates while realizing economies of scale and the benefits of cooperative purchasing, such as decreasing the estimated statewide vendor pool from approximately 500. In addition, having multiple vendors to choose from will continue to foster competition, thereby delivering better service and cost savings to State entities.

Key benefits of the contracts include:

- Statewide savings of up to 25% over previous contracts.
- Flexibility to negotiate rates with each supplier.
- Flexibility to choose suppliers based on needs and personal preferences (or the best value for each entity).
- Flexibility to negotiate classifications, job descriptions/requirements and rates not explicitly identified.

The transition details:

1. Current Temporary Employees (not on Statewide Contract) – Current temporary employees obtained via an open market or an agency contract from a supplier not identified in the above Statewide Contract, must transition into one of the new suppliers no later than December 31, 2008

and the agency contract should be terminated. If a temporary employee is unable to transition into one of the new suppliers, then the agency must obtain a replacement.

2. Current Temporary Employees (on contract with one of the new suppliers) – Current temps on an agency contract with one of the new suppliers must transition into the new Statewide Contract as soon as the agency contract can be terminated. If the temporary employee is unable to transition to the new Statewide Contract, then a replacement must be obtained.
3. New Temporary Employees – A new requirement for a temporary employee(s) must be filled with one of the new statewide suppliers identified.

Kick-off Webinar Meetings

- Thursday, November 6, 2008 at 10:00-11:30 a.m.
- Thursday, November 6, 2008 at 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Webinar Kick-off Meetings have been arranged to answer questions related to using the contracts and transitioning temps. Each agency is strongly encouraged to attend one of the two sessions. Email your intent and time to participate to wendell.carter@doas.ga.gov no later than 5:00 p.m., on Monday, November 3, 2008. An email invitation with the webinar details will be forwarded by close of business on Tuesday, November 4, 2008.

The contract is available for use through the [State Purchasing Statewide Contract Index](#) under: “Temp Staffing-Clerical & Light Industrial.” Terms and conditions, pricing information and specific information on how to use the contract are also listed for easy viewing.

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