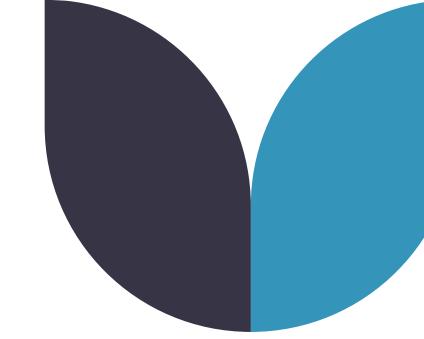
Contracts Are Like a Box of Chocolates



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Agenda

- Contract Life Cycle
- Personnel and Resources
- Monitor the Contract
- Issue Resolution
- Tools and Resources





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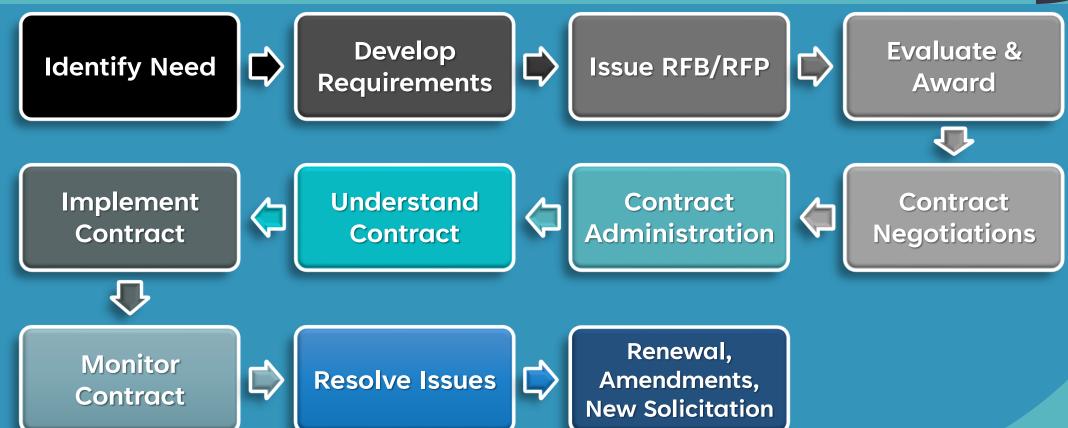
Contract Life Cycle

We need to buy something.

How does a contract happen?



Contract Life Cycle





Understand Contract



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- Scope
- Implementation / Project Plan
- Technical Specifications
- Performance Benchmarks
- Timeline (Term)
- Reporting Requirements



Implement Contract



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- Vendor and End User Meetings
- Training Contract Parameters
- Inspections
- Contract Transition



Personnel & Resources

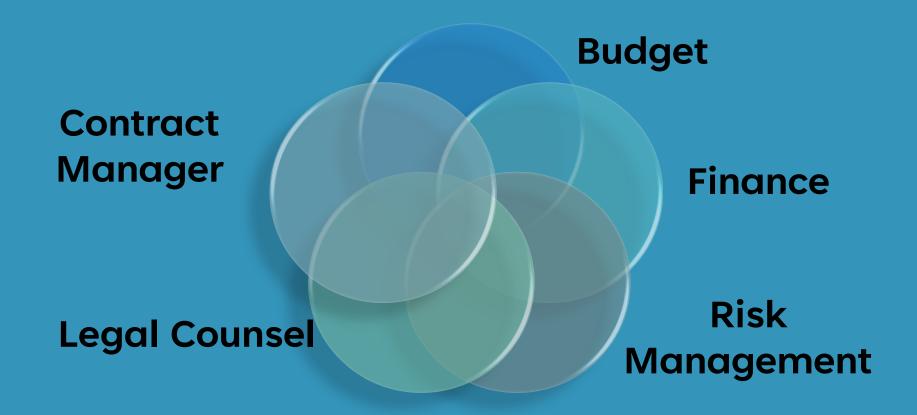


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Resources





Who is involved?

Program/Contract Manager

Purchasing/ Contract Administrator

Program Management

End Users

Prime & Sub-Contractor



Contract Administration

Administrator	vs.	Manager	
No signature authority for amendments or renewals	VS.	Procurement signature authority	
Cannot terminate contract	vs.	Responsibility to renew and terminate contract	
Day to day program management and program expert	vs.	Contract and procurement "process" expert	

Contract Administrator

- Ensures contract is followed
- Manages program served by contractor
- Ensures contract is followed
- Consults with Contract Manager as issues arise
 - Documents non-performance
- Involved in defining scope of services, qualifications, specifications



Contract Manager

Oversees all aspects of procurement process:

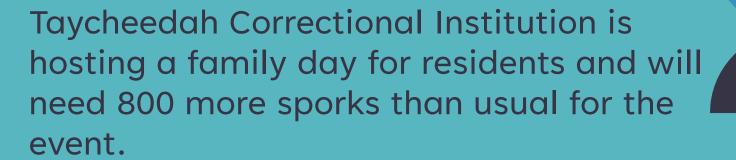
- Reviews and issues RFB/RFP
- Facilitates negotiations and awards contract
- Handles protest and appeals
- Reviews contract
- Manages updates
- Involved in problem resolution
- Handles termination
- · Acts as liaison between CA and DOA procurement oversight, agency legal





The Scenario

You will learn about these steps as we go in-depth later in this presentation



- Susan is the Contract Administrator
- Anna is the Contract Manager
- The contract is for Food Service Disposables
- The vendor is Sporks-R-Us

Where does Susan find information

When does Anna get involved

What other resources might be involved



Monitor the Contract



Know Your Contract

- Read all contract documents
- Know the specifications and mandatory requirements
- Know your vendors
- Know your resources





Monitoring Deliverables

Commodities

- Quality
- Delivery schedules
- Warranty
- Customer service standards (e.g., response time)

Services

- Implementation / work plans (e.g., milestones, deliverables)
- Quality assurance and corrective action plan
- Contingency plan
- Performance Metrics(e.g., operate without failure X%, for X consecutive days)



Monitor Your Vendors

- Meet with vendors
- Track spending
- Monitor performance
- Get feedback from end users





Document, Document

- Documentation can help you:
 - Create better contracts
 - Become a subject matter expert
 - Be proactive and address things before they become issues
 - Determine if the contract is meeting needs
- When using someone else's contract, your feedback is vital



Issue Resolution



Issue Resolution

You're a contract manager and have just been notified by your end users that your contractor isn't performing, and you need to take action.

Where do you start?



Know the Contract

Through





Problem

Talk it Out

Resolving Problems

Issue Resolution

- Informal Remedy
- Formal Remedy
- Termination / Cancellation



Informal Remedy

TIP: Amend Contract
to address new
requirements
resulting from
corrective action

Handled with phone call or email to contact - Ask for:

- Resolution
- Confirm in writing
- Document
- Add to contract file

Create an issue log



What should be in an issue log?



- Description of the issue
- Date the issue occurred
- Identify who is responsible for resolving
- Establish goals
- Add results of discussions
- Set a deadline for completion
- Share log with end users to ensure accuracy



Formal Remedy

Probation is a type of formal remedy where a contractor is given a specified period to improve their performance

A Corrective Action Plan is designed to address specific issues or problems. It outlines the steps necessary to resolve existing problems and prevent them from recurring in the future



Termination / Cancellation)

If vendor fails to deliver on Corrective Action Plan or other remedy, you may need to consider contract termination

- Must weigh the benefits/risks of preserving the relationship when deciding on termination
- Burden of proof on State must be supported by documentation
- Do not take unilateral actions consult with procurement, management, and legal
- Requires XX days notice in writing as stated in contract
- Always a last resort



Cancellation for cause PRO-411 Contract Cancellation and Termination Procedures

Tools & Resources



State Procurement Manual



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Cheryl Edgington, Director State Bureau of Procurement

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100-Series: Introduction & Procurement Fundamentals 200-Series: Planning & Procurement Strategy 300-Series: Competitive Solicitations

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RFB & RFP Checklists



RFB/RFP Checklist

	Request for Bid (RFB) Check List - RFB #					
	Description	Estimated Business Days	Targeted Completion Date	Date Completed		
1.	Identify Standards Committee					
	Is this a New or Existing Contract?					
	If Existing, who are the current Contract Users?	0 days	7/1/2023			
	If New, who requested this contract?					
	Ask Section Chiefs to announce the search for Development/Standards committee	0 - 3 days	7/5/2023			
2.	Develop RFB and Supporting Docs					
	Purpose and Scope	3 - 5 days	7/12/2023			
	Bidder Qualifications	3 - 5 days	7/19/2023			
	Mandatory Contract requirements	3 - 5 days	7/26/2023			
	Any Special Terms and Conditions	3 - 5 days	8/2/2023			
	Cost Sheet and other supporting documents	3 - 5 days	8/9/2023			
	Compile list of Potential Bidders	0 - 3 days	8/14/2023			
	Conduct Bidder Outreach	0 - 5 days	8/21/2023			
	RFB Document and Supporting Docs Finalized	0 days	8/21/2023			
	Peer Review	3 - 5 days	8/28/2023			
	RFB and Supporting Documents entered into Strategic Sourcing	1-3 days	8/31/2023			
	Section Chief Review	10 days	9/14/2023			
	 Additional Questions and Concerns Reviewed (as needed) 	3 - 5 days	9/21/2023			
	Supervisor approval to post to eSupplier	0 - 5 davs	9/28/2023			



Business Case Exceptions



Business Case Exceptions (BCE)

- A Business Case Exception is NOT A WAIVER
- Approval to purchase outside of a mandatory contract
- Intended for situations when something covered under the contracts is unavailable or doesn't meet the Agency's needs
- Cost savings is typically not a good case for a BCE

Guide to Submitting Business Case Exceptions eLearning Coming Soon!







Welcome to VendorNet

Non-Discrimination in State Contracts Per 2019 Wisconsin Executive Order 1

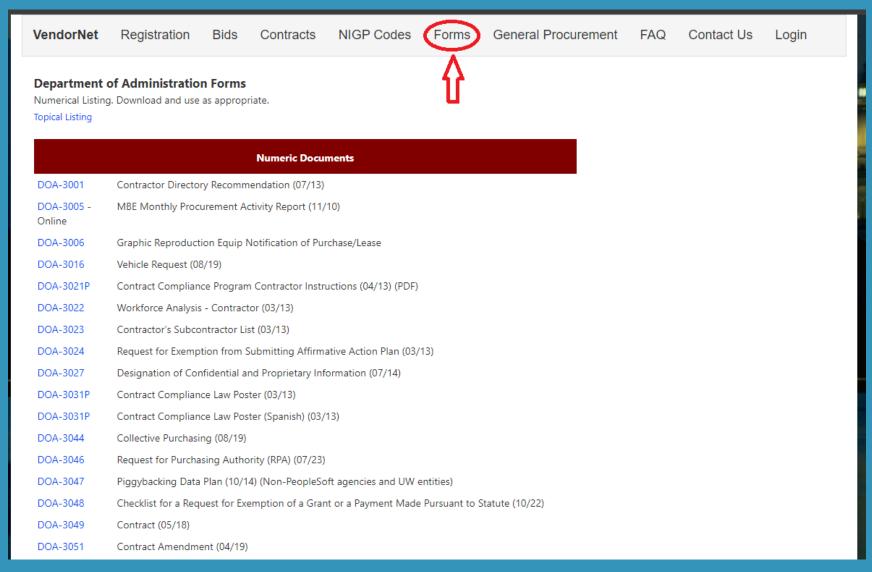
Per 2019 Wisconsin Executive Order 1, state agencies and campuses have new requirements related to non-discrimination in state contracting.

The Department of Administration has adjusted standard terms and conditions to reflect these changes, and has published policy which provides direction on the procedures agencies will follow to ensure compliance.

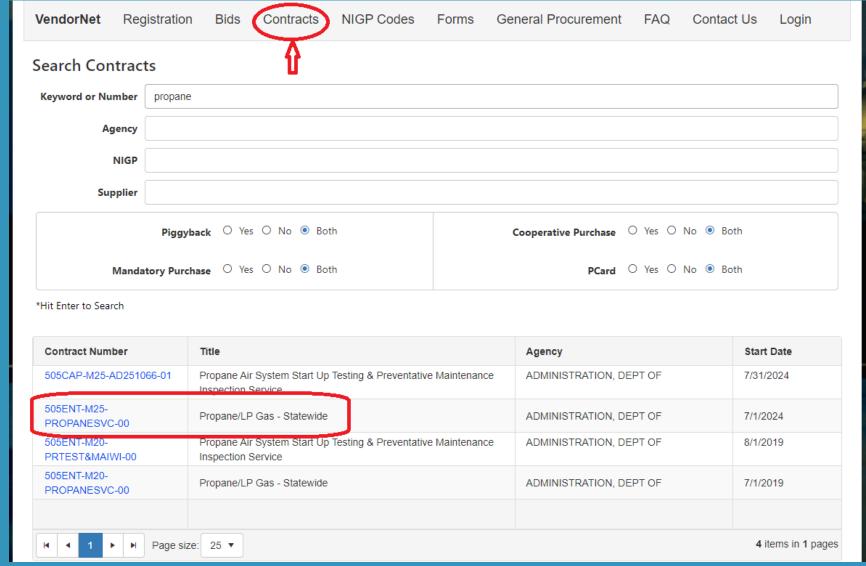
Procurement Information Memorandum (PIM) 19-003: Non-Discrimination in State Contracts Per 2019 Wisconsin Executive Order 1 has been posted to the Index of PIMs found in the Procurement Manual. New versions of forms DOA-3054 (Standard Terms and Conditions (RFB/RFP)), DOA-3054A (Standard Terms and Conditions (Purchase Order) and DOA-3832 (Bidder Required Form) have also been posted to the VendorNet Forms page.

Any questions on this new requirement can be directed to doawispro@wisconsin.gov.

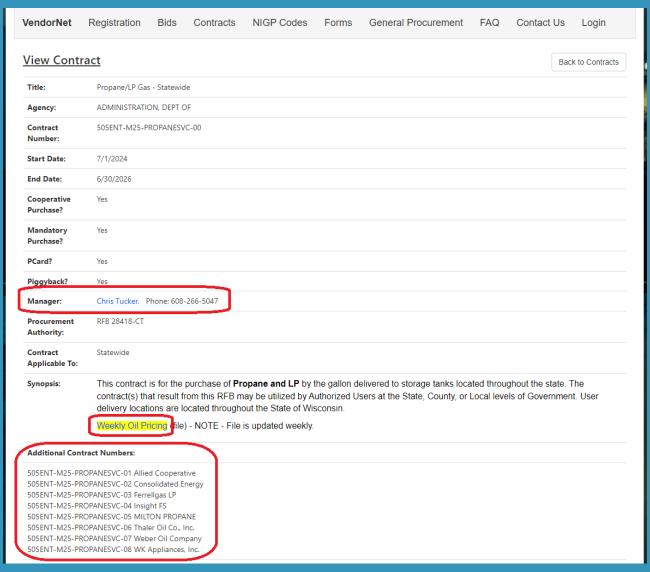














Documents:

01 User Guide - Propane.docx 6/28/2024

02 Price List FY 25.xlsx 9/6/2024

03 Quarterly Report Template 2024.xlsx 6/28/2024

04 RFB Propane_LP Gas Statewide.pdf 6/28/2024

05 Adding, Deleting or Correcting Propane Locations 8.9.21.xlsx 6/28/2024

06 Ferrellgas_WI_Contact_List.doc 6/28/2024

NIGP Codes

Code	Description
40503	Butane and Propane (Including Liquefied Petroleum Gas)



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Questions







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Thank you!



