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FROM: Aaron S. Fujioka

SUBJECT: State of Hawaii eProcurement System - Transition from HePS to HIePRO Training and Notification of Vendors

In May 2013, the State Procurement Office announced the transition to HIePRO the new eProcurement application. This circular is an update on the transition.

Vendor Notification

Vendors are being notified by email and through the SPO website. Attached is a copy of the information sent. Departments are advised to send notifications to their vendors as the vendor contact persons may vary. A sample notice is on the SPO website at http://hawaii.gov/spo click HePS-HIePRO then HIePRO for State Procurement Personnel and Sample Notice to Vendors

Training for State Procurement Personnel

The training schedule has been posted on the SPO training website. Training for HIePRO administrators and their alternates will be on 8/13/13. The first buyer training will be on 8/20/13. Register for training at http://hawaii.gov/spo click **For State & County Personnel** and then **Training.** A training module is forthcoming and buyers will be able to view the video online.

Your staff may contact Mara Smith at 587-4704 or <u>mara.smith@hawaii.gov</u> for any HIePRO questions.

Attachment

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ATTACHMENT

Below is the information being sent to vendors via email:

Subject: Transition to the new Hawaii State eProcurement application, HIePRO

The State Procurement Office (SPO) is pleased to announce the transition to a new, updated eProcurement System. Over the next few months state agencies will be transitioning from the current eProcurement system, HePS, to the new Hawaii State eProcurement application, **HIePRO** [pronounced HI-PRO].

Register now for HIePRO at http://hiepro.hawaii.gov.

Advantages of HIePRO

- Updated technology the system will be faster and more compatible with browsers
- Mobile device friendly- may view/respond to solicitations on a mobile device
- **Ease of use** user friendly application
- **Transparent** Immediate public access to procurement notices and awards
- **Cost-efficient** vendor transaction fee begins a lesser amount and is capped at the same level as HePS.

About the transition

You may receive notices from both HePS and HIePRO as some buyers will issue their solicitations in HIePRO while other will utilize HePS until they are trained.

Help Registering in HIePRO:

- Go to the website at http://hiepro.hawaii.gov and download the instructions.
- Go to http://hiepro.hawaii.gov click **chat**.
- Attend a webinar previewing HIePRO and demonstrating registration on 8/30/13 at 9:00 AM. Register for this webinar at: http://hawaii.gov/spo click HePS-HIePRO and click HIePRO for Vendors, Contractors or Service Providers.
- Contact Hawaii Information Consortium, LLC at (808) 695-4620.
- A video is also forthcoming.

For general questions about HIePRO please contact the State Procurement Office at (808) 586-0554 or hiepro@hawaii.gov

We look forward working with you as we take the next steps in eProcurement.