VIP - VIP ALERT - Office Supplies and Equipment, Notice of Award

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Date: September 10, 2009

To: State Agencies and Cooperative Members

From: State Procurement Office

Re: EPS090048-A5, Office Supplies and Equipment, Notice of Award

The State Procurement Office is pleased to announce that the Office Supplies and Equipment contract has been awarded to **Staples**.

As the solicitation, EPS090048-A5, was done in SPIRIT, the contract will have to be replicated in the new system, ProcureAZ. The procurement file and contract shall be available in the next few days. Highlights of the new contract include

- Core List items (most frequently purchased products) represent a 36% savings over the same items under the current contract
- General Catalog items (all other products) are **discounted 40% to 70%** below retail
- Customers agreeing to use the contract exclusively, as a strategic contract, will receive an additional
 2.5% discount (instant rebate) on their purchases.
- Contract includes provisions for **punch-out from ProcureAZ** to the contractor's online ordering system (implementing within the first few months following award)

The current Office Supplies contract expires on October 31, 2009. For a limited period of time, both the previous and the new Office Supplies contracts shall run concurrently, through the expiration of the old contract.

A subsequent notice, announcing the contract's availability, will be issued when the new contract is available in ProcureAZ.

Please direct any questions in this regard to **Christine Fruitman** at **(602) 542-9158** or **Christine.Fruitman@azdoa.gov**

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