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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DECEMBER 2020

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## ***EPA Webinar - Register Now***

**Your Suppliers' Impacts Are Your Impacts Too: Opportunities to Prevent Pollution through Procurement  
December 10, 2020 2:00 PM-3:00 pm EST**

### **Register Now**

Pollution Prevention Technical Assistance Programs, or P2 TAPs, know the importance of understanding their client's key environmental impacts – or “hotspots.” But what if some of the most significant impacts are not in the facility itself but driven by procurement?

From batteries to boxes to buildings, the products and services purchased by manufacturers/processors have vast supply chains with their own environmental impacts. This webinar will explore tools and resources to understand and prioritize your clients' supply chain impacts AND to identify and use robust product/service sustainability specs, standards, ecolabels to address them.



Presented by EPA's Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program and Sustainable Materials Management Program.

DAS encourages agencies to participate in the webinar in support of our own EPP program. The state of Connecticut prefers to partner and establish contracts with suppliers who offer environmentally preferable and sustainable goods and services at competitive prices. This is done by considering ecolabels and environmental criteria wherever applicable in state purchasing and contracting efforts.

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# ***What's Happening with the State Contracting Portal?***

DAS Procurement again would like to thank those that attended “Exploring CTsource: An Overview of Connecticut’s New E-Sourcing Solution,” held on October 28, 2020. This is a reminder that the recorded event and questions and answers are now available on the CTsource website. Please use the following link to access the page: <https://portal.ct.gov/DAS/CTSource/CTsource-Resources/CTsource-Videos>.

Additionally, the CTsource Team is working diligently to finalize scheduling for our Phase 2 activities which includes the onboarding of State Agencies, municipalities and not-for-profits. Please stay tuned as additional information will be forthcoming!

## ***Check out CTsource for all state contract information***

CTsource is a secure, web-based statewide eProcurement system implemented by the State of Connecticut with its partner, Perfect Commerce LLC (a PROACTIS Company), using their WebProcure application to streamline how companies do business with the State.

CTsource is a one-stop shop to register, manage, search, view and respond to all solicitation and contract related activities that DAS Procurement and DAS Construction Services are tasked with. Once registered with CTsource, suppliers are able to maintain and manage their profile which includes modifying contact persons, business address, email addresses and much more.

Additionally, suppliers will be required to select the UNSPSC code(s) that best apply to their organization’s business in order to receive automated email invitations notifying them of solicitation opportunities!

## ***State Supplier Diversity Certifications Issued over the last 14 Days***

The State’s Supplier Diversity program targets at least 25% of the state’s business be transacted with small businesses including those owned by minorities, women and the disabled. To participate, fill out an application with the Department of Administrative Services. Once certified, you can bid on contracts covered by the program as well as all other state contracts.

[Use this link to visit the DAS State Supplier Diversity program website.](#)