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TO: Purchasing Directors, Agency and University Procurement Officers (APOs/CUPOs);
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RE: GPM Policy Changes Effective July 1, 2015 and Webinar Announcement

The State Purchasing Division is announcing upcoming changes to the Georgia Procurement Manual (GPM-V5-September 2013) currently found online at <http://doas.ga.gov/state-purchasing/law-administrative-rules-and-policies/gpm-archives-policies-and-official-announcements>. These GPM changes are based on recent procurement legislation, efficiencies to the procurement process, allowances for Georgia resident and/or small business for increased bid opportunities, and clarification to existing policies or to correct errors.

Two (2) webinars will be held to provide an overview of the changes detailed in this announcement. We encourage all state procurement professionals to register for one of these sessions by clicking on one of the following links:

Thursday, April 16, 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Register at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8595801951545490689>

Thursday, April 16, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Register at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/616805497961152257>

Time will be allotted during each session to address questions either from this announcement or from the webinar presentation. We encourage you to be prepared to bring any concerns you may have for discussion.

The attached document describes each GPM change by chapter/section and will be **effective July 1, 2015**. This announcement will serve as official notice of these policy changes until a revised Georgia Procurement Manual is published to the State Purchasing website.

NOTE: Corrections to all links throughout the GPM that were broken due to the launch of the new DOAS State Purchasing web site are not detailed in this Official Announcement. All links, however, will be corrected in the published version of the upcoming revised GPM.