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**NOTICE TO VENDORS**

Effective **January 1, 2011** all *public works project* related bids or proposals exceeding one million (\$1,000,000) dollars are required to include a “public copy”. All agency contract solicitations, requests for proposals, invitations for bids, etc. shall state that any bid or proposal that exceeds one million (\$1,000,000) dollars must include a copy to be available for public inspection upon the opening of the bids. Any bid or proposal in excess of one million (\$1,000,000) dollars which does not include a copy for public inspection shall be deemed to be non-responsive. For further information, please see R. I. Gen. Laws §37-2-18 (P.L. 221) <http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/PublicLaws/law10/law10221.htm> and Purchasing Rules & amendment at <http://www.purchasing.ri.gov/Notices2.aspx>.

In addition, the Division of Purchases has promulgated proposed regulations pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 37-2-18 that implements the “public copy” requirement. Public hearing on the proposed regulations was held on Friday, December 17, 2010. The proposed regulations will become final on or about January 11, 2011. For further information please visit: [www.sos.ri.gov](http://www.sos.ri.gov) .