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**To:** 'Sean McLernon' <seanmc@stealthsite.com>  
**Date:** 4/5/2007 5:42:12 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Procurement Issues

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Sean,  
I think that we should let the conversation migrate towards the best examples. I think that we are going to pick up on some common themes that we can use in the report.

Marcia

-----Original Message-----

From: Sean McLernon [mailto:seanmc@stealthsite.com]  
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2007 5:39 PM  
To: Marcia.Adams@SCDMV.net  
Cc: chad@stickyfingers.com  
Subject: RE: Procurement Issues

Marcia,

Thanks for putting this all together. I don't see any problem with making these calls next week.

I've also been reviewing the on-line stuff for ideas so we can discuss that as well.

Do have a specific set of goals for each call or will you be letting the conversation migrate toward the most illustrative examples?

I'm comfortable any way you want to handle it.

Thanks,

Sean

-----Original Message-----

From: Marcia.Adams@SCDMV.net [mailto:Marcia.Adams@SCDMV.net]  
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2007 2:50 PM  
To: Sean McLernon  
Cc: chad@stickyfingers.com  
Subject: Procurement Issues

Sean,

I have been gathering contact information for us. I have also received and attached to this e-mail revised reports from Delbert. I asked my procurement director to outline the bid protest process. I have attached the process as well as the section of law that guides protests.

I think that we should focus on the following areas:

- \* Suggestions to improve the overall procurement process, noting if changes in legislation would be required.
- \* Even though another member of our panel has touched on technology procurement issues, I think that we should ask procurement officials for suggestions to improved the technology procurement process, indicating where the improvement would require a legislative change.
- \* Improvements to be made to the bid protest process (i.e. one suggestion may be to raise the present threshold for protests above the current level of \$50,000)

\* Suggestions to streamline the construction procurement  
and  
contract change order process at the State Engineer's office

I have developed a list of state agency procurement contacts from small,  
medium, and larger agencies. I have divided their names between the two  
of  
us so that we can call them. If you feel that it will be more  
beneficial to  
bring them together as a group, please let me know, and I will try to  
arrange a meeting. Some of these contacts may not be able to answer  
questions concerning all types of procurements, but they will be able to  
point us to the appropriate persons in their respective agencies. If  
possible, I would like to finish the interview phase next week and get  
back  
together with you with the results. Please let me know what your  
schedule  
will allow.

Thanks,  
Marcia

Sean:

\* Ron Flowers, Procurement Manager - Francis Marion University  
(843)661-1161  
\* Patti Larimore, Procurement Manager - Department of Health and  
Human  
Services (803)898-2667  
\* Ivory Moon, Procurement Manager - Department of Health and  
Environmental Control (803)898-3481  
\* Ruthie Bishop, Procurement Manager - Department of Juvenile  
Justice  
(803)896-5643  
\* Bill Pace, Procurement Manager - Department of Natural Resources  
(803)734-3976  
\* Gary Smith, Procurement Manager - Department of Social Services  
(803)898-3509

Marcia:

\* Venis Manigo, Procurement Director - University of South  
Carolina  
(803)777-4115  
\* Wes Stokes, Facility Management - Vocational Rehabilitation  
(803)896-6839  
\* Don Lemmons, Procurement Manager - Department of Corrections  
(803)896-1952  
\* Cheryl Thompson, Procurement Manager - Probation, Pardon, and  
Parole  
(803)734-9238  
\* Lisa Traylor, Procurement Manager - Parks, Recreation, and  
Tourism  
(803)734-1302  
\* Shannon Hicks, Procurement Manager - Labor, Licensing, and  
Regulation (803)896-4335

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