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Changes to Procurement in EE1

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CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **2 Step Encumbrance Process Eliminated**
 - No need to create a Contract related PO to demonstrate Funds Reservation
 - Requisition line(s) serves as the Funding Reservation that systematically pre-encumbers funds and reduces the State agency's available budget balance
 - Purchase Orders can now be used as true ordering documents



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Contract Lines**
 - Agencies have the option to define specific components of the Contract using lines, such as:
 - Deliverables
 - Periods of time
 - Link separate chart of accounts values to each line
 - Each line can be “opened” as needed to allow P2P activity for that line



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Contract Amendments**
 - To route a Contract Amendment to OSC for review, create a new contract version in SFS that includes:
 - Appropriate Audit Type that routes the transaction for OSC review; and
 - Change(s) made to one or more of the following Contract Header Fields:
 - Contract Maximum
 - Begin Date
 - Expire Date
 - New York State Contract Description Field



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

■ Contract Amendments

- Submit a contract amendment to OSC for review if:
 - Original contract was subject to OSC review; and
 - Terms & Conditions are modified in the amendment, including:
 - Contract Maximum
 - Begin Date
 - Expire Date
 - NYS Contract Description Field
 - Scope Changes
 - Contract Provisions
 - Budget Adjustments
- Submit an amendment to a contract not originally subject to OSC review if the amendment will increase the Contract Maximum to meet or exceed OSC's review threshold



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Contract Amendments**
 - Do not submit an amendment to OSC when making modifications to contract lines that are not related to changes in contract terms and conditions such as:
 - Opening a converted contract for P2P activity
 - Changing funding on a contract line(s)
 - Creating/opening contract lines for new fiscal year
 - Please note, do not make changes to contract lines that cause the Funds Reservation to fall below the required amount
 - See Chapter XI, Section 2.E.1 - Contract Amendments Subject to OSC Review, of the Guide to Financial Operations (GFO) for additional information



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Purchase Order Agreements**
 - Stand-Alone Purchase Order agreements that exceed OSC pre-approval thresholds are entered as contracts, using the OP prefix
 - These transactions are generally for one-time purchases and do not require a formal contract document beyond the standard terms and conditions associated to a Purchase Order
 - Allows Purchase Orders subject to OSC review to follow same process as all other procurement transactions



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Purchase Order Agreements**
 - The entire value of the Purchase Order must be entered as the Contract Maximum Amount
 - Funds must be reserved for the total transaction amount
 - The Begin Date should be the earliest date the PO would be dispatched to the vendor
 - The Expire Date should be the last day of the fiscal year associated to the funds being used
 - The OP transaction should be routed to OSC for review using the appropriate Audit Type
 - See Chapter XI, Section 3 - Purchase Orders Subject to OSC Review, of the GFO for additional information



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

■ Contract Assignments

- No longer required to create a new, unique NYS Contract # (C1234567) when processing a Contract Assignment in SFS
- SFS auto generated Contract ID provides a unique contract identifier allowing the reuse of the NYS Contract # for Contract Assignments
- Reusing the NYS Contract # for a Contract Assignment increases transparency in reporting and helps contract monitoring
- See Chapter XI, Section 12.B –Contract Assignments, of the GFO for additional information



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Multi-Agency Contracts**
 - Corporate Contract checkbox is no longer used for Agency contracts
 - PO Defaults are selected for each Business Unit (BU) authorized to use the contract
 - Authorized BUs can create and manage their own Contract Lines
 - See Chapter XI, Section 8.B - Multi-Agency Contracts, of the GFO for additional information



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Revenue Agreements**
 - Revenue contracts are now processed in the Customer Contracts module
 - Contractors must be customers within the SFS customer files with an assigned New York State Customer ID and will have a corresponding Supplier/Vendor ID
 - Transactions must be created and amended in SFS using online access



CHANGES TO PROCUREMENT IN EE1

- **Revenue Agreements**
 - No bulkload interface is available
 - No more than one amendment at a time can be pending approval
 - See Chapter XI, Section 7.A - Revenue Contracts, of the GFO for additional information



PURCHASE ORDERS

Improvements

- The State will use purchase orders as ordering documents
- Purchase orders should be used for all purchases, where practicable
- Purchase orders are authorized electronically in the SFS

Benefits

- Purchase orders will be the primary method agencies will use to instruct suppliers to provide goods and services
- The purchase price, unit of measure, quantity and quality will be documented in a formal agreement
- SFS will provide the State with greater purchasing and spending intelligence
- Agencies will no longer need to print, sign, scan and email the purchase order to the supplier



PURCHASE ORDERS

Improvements

- Non agency contract purchase orders may be created, approved, and dispatched systematically when the vendor is a preferred source or when each PO line references a centralized contract item in the Item Master
- Contract purchase orders are created, approved, and dispatched systematically based on the criteria, schedule, and duration defined and approved by the agency

Benefits

- Agencies will dedicate fewer resources to processing purchase orders, allowing them to reallocate resources to other value-add activities
- Purchase orders will be processed and dispatched quickly
- The State will use significantly less paper



ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF PURCHASE ORDERS

Improvements

- State agencies can deliver purchase orders to vendors from SFS via email or MarketPlace
- Vendors on MarketPlace will receive all purchase orders from online Business Units through the MarketPlace
- The Vendor Management Unit set up 41 frequently used vendors to receive purchase orders via email and more will be set up in the future

Benefits

- Agencies will no longer be required to print, sign, scan and email purchase orders to vendors
- Purchase orders will be processed and dispatched quickly, without significant manual effort from staff
- Vendors will be responsible for updating their ordering addresses, saving the State time and resources



ELECTRONIC INVOICING

Improvements

- Suppliers approved by VMU can submit electronic invoices directly to SFS via direct entry or file transfer
- All vendors in MarketPlace will submit electronic invoices to the State via file transfer from MarketPlace
- From an electronic invoice, SFS will automatically create a voucher in 'Postable' status in the Accounts Payable module

Benefits

- Vendors will no longer need to mail and/or email invoices
- Agencies will no longer need to receive, date stamp and file paper invoices for e-invoicing vendors
- Agencies will no longer need to manually create vouchers for e-invoicing vendors
- Voucher and payment processing will be expedited, reducing late payments and prompt payment interest paid by the State



INTEGRATION WITH MARKETPLACE

Improvements

- Agency purchasing personnel can browse on-line catalogs of centralized contract commodities and add the items to their shopping carts
- Upon completing the order, SFS automatically builds a completed purchase requisition in Pending status
- For online BUs, vendors in the Marketplace will receive all purchase orders, and submit all invoices, through the Marketplace

Benefits

- Agencies will spend less time creating requisitions because the information will be pulled from Marketplace
- Greater procurement intelligence because all Marketplace purchases will reference Item Master items
- More efficient, streamlined and modern purchasing and payment experience
- Vendors and the State will use significantly less paper

