



State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Memorandum

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Dear Scrap Tire Interested Parties:

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), Scrap Tire Management Unit will no longer be issuing Request for Bids for contracts to remove scrap tires, as this administrative service is now being provided by the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS). Ohio EPA staff will work jointly with DAS staff in preparing bid documents, participating in mandatory bidder's site visits and source selection activities, and will be responsible for administering contracts after award.

Accordingly, interested offerers must now follow DAS's procurement practices. For example, firms will no longer receive notification of scrap tire procurement opportunities from the Ohio EPA or printed RFP packages in the mail. Instead, prospective offers are now directed to the following DAS web page where bid opportunities and RFP bid documents are electronically posted. Such notices of procurement opportunities may also be jointly posted on the OEPA web page. For electronic notice of all future procurement opportunities, please register with DAS Procurement at www.ohio.gov/procure. You can begin the registration process by clicking on the "selling to the State" icon and then the "Vendor Registration" icon, then follow the instructions.

Current OEPA Scrap Tire Management Unit planning is for release of the next Request for Proposal (RFP) in February 2005 with work to commence this spring. RFP's for scrap tire removal services at several locations throughout Ohio during State Fiscal Year 2006 are planned to be advertised in May. Several OEPA scrap tire regulations will remain as contractual requirements in future scrap tire contracts. For example, Ohio Revised Code and Ohio Administrative Code regulations require all transporters of scrap tires that originate in Ohio be registered with Ohio EPA. A wealth of scrap tire related information including a listing of Ohio's registered scrap tire transporters is available on Ohio EPA's web site, www.epa.state.oh.us/dsiwm/pages/tire_docs.

Should you have any questions concerning the DAS procurement program, please contact them directly at the above web site or the following:

Ohio Department of Administrative Services
Office of State Purchasing
4200 Surface Road
Columbus, OH 43228
614.644-1807 voice or 614.644.1785 fax

I strongly encourage your firm to quickly become familiar with the DAS procurement program as we look forward to utilizing your services to work together to eliminate the remaining scrap tire piles throughout Ohio. Thank you for your continuing interest and support.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

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