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## **Purchasing Department**

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TO: All ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative Vendors and Members

FROM: Becky Hernandez- Procurement Director

SUBJECT: EDGAR Information

When Federal funds are utilized, ESC Region 19 and Allied States Cooperative will be in full compliance with the EDGAR (Education Department General Administration Regulations) 2 CFR Part 75 and Part 200. As a result of this Federal regulation, no contracts for products/goods, consulting, contracting, or staff development will be permitted when the aggregate for any one vendor reaches the threshold set by CFR regulation or state regulation, whichever is more restrictive.

Products/goods, consultants, contracting, and staff development contracts will not be authorized unless interested individuals and companies first respond to a solicitation processed by the ESC Region 19 Purchasing Department. Federal regulations no longer acknowledge sole sources, proprietary processes, copyrights, and/or patents regarding consultants, contractors, and or staff development consultants, therefore all referenced goods and/or services must be competitively solicited.

In June 2016, ESC Region 19 was audited by TEA for EDGAR compliance in all aspects of its State Entity Business Office Procedures Manual regarding EDGAR compliance and no findings or management points were noted.

Regarding, 2 CFR §200.323, pricing and cost analysis is performed in determining independent estimates prior to processing a cooperative contract based on historical data from previous contracts, new member commitments and input, as well as a review of overall market conditions relating to commodities impacting various contracts. In some cases, vendors provide unique services for which no cost analysis can be performed. Cost analysis is not performed on any catalog only solicitation. Members are encouraged to obtain multiple quotes for comparison of cost on catalog only solicitations,

Should you have any questions, please contact Becky Hernandez at 915-780-5021, <u>rshernandez@esc19.net</u>. We look forward to your interest in working with ESC Region 19 on this regulation.

Respectfully, Becky Hernandez Procurement Director