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March 14 auction includes sporting goods

Various household appliances, sporting goods and computer and electronic equipment will be among the items available for bid at the State of Ohio miscellaneous property auction Saturday, March 14.

The auction will be held at the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, General Services Division headquarters, 4200 Surface Road, Columbus. The doors open at 8 a.m.; the auction will begin at 9 a.m.

Auction items include a fishing pole and reel, softball bats, tennis rackets, a pool table, a golf club, a double oven, a double refrigerator, glass display cases, two big screen televisions and personal digital assistants. To view the items, please visit <http://www.das.ohio.gov/gsd/PropFac/Surplus/warehouse/index.htm>.

Purchased items must be paid for in full the day of the sale. Cash and credit cards are accepted. All methods of payment other than cash must be approved by the auctioneers, Cassel & Associates.

All purchased items must be picked up by 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 18. Regular auction warehouse hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The warehouse is open until 6 p.m. on the day of the auction.

Surplus property auctions provide the general public an opportunity to purchase quality goods at reduced prices and enable the state to recoup a portion of its initial investment. Miscellaneous property and vehicle auctions have generated more than \$1.8 million to date during fiscal year 2009.

Public auctions are the last step in the state's surplus program. State agencies declare property as surplus because it is damaged or at the end of its life cycle for government use. The property then is made available to other state agencies, state higher education facilities, tax-supported agencies, municipal corporations and other political subdivisions of the state, including public schools. Remaining property is sold at the public auctions. Auction merchandise also includes items collected by the Transportation Security Administration from airline passengers.

The next auction after this March 14 auction is a vehicle auction, which will be held April 11.

For more information, please contact Jim Rooker at (614) 466-7636 or visit the DAS State and Federal Surplus Services Web site at www.ohio.gov/surplus.