Greetings,

We recently sent you an email introducing you to the State of Ohio’s new procurement portal – Ohio|Buys, an online, streamlined solution for doing business with the State. If you’ve already taken action to register for Ohio|Buys, thank you! If not, please consider registering your organization at your earliest convenience.

1. **What does this mean for me?**
   - A new electronic / easy way of doing business with the State of Ohio
   - Online setup of your catalog for State procurement, tracking of purchase orders, and management of invoices
   - Directly respond to State of Ohio quotes and solicitations

2. **How does Ohio|Buys fit in with the other sites like the Supplier Portal and Ohio Business Gateway?**
   - Think of Ohio|Buys as the virtual marketplace where both suppliers and State agencies conduct business. Suppliers can offer their goods and services, while State agencies can browse, compare, and buy those goods and services.
   - The Supplier Portal is designed to provide suppliers with convenient access to information about their organization’s financial interactions with the State of Ohio.
   - The Ohio Business Gateway provides information on starting and operating a business in Ohio.

3. **What State Agencies are using Ohio|Buys right now?**
   Operated by the Department of Administrative Services, Ohio|Buys is currently available to the following State agencies: Bureau of Workers Compensation, Department of Commerce, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Department of Health, Department of Public Safety, Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections, Department of Insurance, Department of Youth Services, Lottery Commission, Office of Budget and Management, Ohio Facilities and Construction Commission, Department of Transportation, and Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities.

   Ohio|Buys will continue to grow, expanding to include remaining State agencies, plus local governments, and institutions of higher education.

4. **How do I get Access to Ohio|Buys?**
   To access Ohio|Buys, visit: [https://supplier-emarketplace.ohio.gov/](https://supplier-emarkplace.ohio.gov/)
   See the attached “How to Guide” for details on how to:
   - Register your organization
   - Update your organization’s account information
   - Add/manage your organization’s contacts
   - Access training

5. **How do I find more information on Ohio|Buys?**
   - Please visit the Ohio|Buys website for more information.
** Please register in Ohio|Buys as soon as possible so we can announce your enrollment to our participating agencies. **

If you have questions, please contact us at ohioskaredservices@ohio.gov or 877-644-6771.

Thank you