

Enterprise Systems: Enterprise Tape

Definition(s):

To provide industry-leading enterprise tape equipment, software, maintenance, technical training and technical support for State's 7x24 data center OS/390 and Z/OS operating environments.

Rationale:

To leverage high capacity tape capabilities, allow for local tape drive media interchange, eliminate the transport of backup tapes to offsite storage, and utilize remote connectivity, with a view to future consolidations.

Approved Standards:

Enterprise tape storage to be procured should have the following characteristics:

- Supports ESCON and FICON connectivity
- Utilizes tape storage libraries or silos with automated robotic retrieval of tape media
- Supports z/OS and OS/390 environments
- Tape drives/cartridges supporting a minimum of 36 track capacity

Approved Products:

STK

Guidelines/Technical Considerations:**Review Cycle:**

As needed.

Timeline:

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Transition:

In consideration of the expensive and complex investment in existing enterprise tape solutions, two vendors are provided.

Procurement:

Storage Technology Corporation discounts as per Office of State Purchasing Contract # 405540, effective 01/21/04 through 01/20/08.

Contract users must obtain a copy of the published USA List Price to attach to their purchase order.