MEMORANDUM OSP 06-04

To: All Department Undersecretaries, Agency Heads, Business Managers, ISIS Agencies and Purchasing Personnel

From: Denise Lea, Director

Date: February 16, 2006

Re: FY06 Requisition Deadlines/FY07 Requisitions and Orders

Fiscal Year 2006 Requisition Deadlines

Our deadline for the submittal of current Fiscal Year 2006 requisitions will be March 24, 2006. We are asking your department’s cooperation and assistance in closeout by submitting all remaining FY 06 requisitions as soon as possible. This request is made to ensure receipts by June 30th and to facilitate our seasonably heavy workload.

Requisitions submitted after the March 24th deadline will be considered on an exception basis with supporting justification from the department undersecretary or his designee. If late requisitions are accepted and processed by this office, it is with the understanding that the agency will take the necessary measures to carryover FY06 funds or to provide FY07 funds in the event a June 30th delivery requirement is unrealistic and/or precludes competition. Similarly, the mere need to expend funds is an insufficient justification for a short bid. Requests for short bids must be accompanied by the department undersecretary’s justification.

Requirements for capital equipment are typically subject to a lengthy procurement process, i.e. pre-bid conferences, agency reviews, long delivery lead times, etc., and should be submitted immediately but no later than close of business March 1, 2006. The Office of State Purchasing hopes to combine agencies’ requirements for similar capital equipment to achieve volume pricing and to reduce administrative costs. Vehicle contract orders are due by March 15th to ensure factory delivery prior to June 30th.

Requirements for “routine” equipment and supplies which require bidding should be submitted as soon as possible but no later than close of business March 24, 2006.
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FY2007 AGPS Activity

ISIS agencies may enter FY07 requisitions and orders. New obligations will by-pass the encumbrance process until the new budget is loaded.

Please be advised that delivery cannot be made prior to July 1, 2006. AGPS Text Clause No. S611 should be added to all FY07 bids, which reads:

Any orders resulting from this solicitation will be paid with new FY funds, if appropriated by the legislature. Delivery cannot be made prior to July 1 and your bid prices must be firm for acceptance and delivery accordingly.

Release of Fiscal Year 2007 Purchase Orders

Each agency shall be responsible for advising this office if a FY07 order is to be held pending budget approval by noting each requisition accordingly (RNTE for ISIS agencies). Unless otherwise instructed, all orders generated by this office will be released upon issuance.

Please distribute this memorandum internally and to your field operations as deemed appropriate. For your convenience, this OSP memorandum may be accessed on our website at www.doa.louisiana.gov/osp/ under the Agency Center.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.