



Regional Procurement

Christmas 2016

Council Newsletter



Message from the Manager



Regional Procurement continues to provide what I believe to be is a quality service to our valued client councils. The ongoing support and use of our contracts by councils provides my team and I with a great deal of confidence going forward into 2017. We have listened to the feedback from our annual customer surveys and endeavoured to provide participating councils with the very best service across all aspects of our operation. Regional Procurement does not stand on our laurels and will strive to provide greater levels of service and innovation throughout the coming year.

ISO 9001:2015 accreditation:

Regional Procurement is proud to advise that certification to the new Standard was achieved in June 2016. All organisations currently certified to ISO 9001:2008 must transition to the 2015 Standard by 30 June 2018 or risk losing their accreditation! The efforts of Michelle Partland who is our Advisor – Audit and Quality Management are greatly appreciated. Without her diligence and attention to detail it would not have been possible to achieve this milestone as early as we did. Thank you Michelle!

TenderLink innovation - eValuation:

A new way for suppliers to respond to our RFTs is being considered by Regional Procurement. In addition to the standard electronic upload process currently in use, Regional Procurement is examining the benefits of those responses being analysed and ranked by *eValuation*. This innovative process allows Regional Procurement to upload evaluation criteria and weightings directly into the respective TenderLink tender notice. As suppliers upload their responses, the *eValuation* systems analyses each response against the predetermined criteria and provides Regional Procurement with a pre-populated matrix for further analysis.

Whilst it is early days yet, we can see the potential benefits in using the *eValuation* software package and will keep our valued client councils abreast of any further developments in this exciting area.

Staffing changes:

Due to a reallocation of staff resources within Strategic Services Australia one of our Support Services team – Jasmine Collum – has been redeployed for two (2) days per week to another Division within the company. Jasmine’s work days at Regional Procurement are now Monday, Tuesday and Friday with no change to her contact details ie: phone 4978 4010 or email jasminec@regpro.com.au

All calls made or emails sent to Jasmine on either Wednesday or Thursday will be forwarded to other Regional Procurement team members for prompt response.

A Christmas thought:

As we race towards the end of another year (how quickly has it passed us by!) it seems that one year just rolls into another. I certainly hope that we all will make the effort to get off the merry go-round and spend time with those that matter most to us. After all, we generally spend 1/3 of our lives at work (in most cases), 1/3 with family and friends the remaining 1/3 asleep. Keeping things in perspective and placing the appropriate priority on a work/life balance will surely provide its own rewards.

We look forward to working with all of our existing client councils as well as welcoming any new ones on board in 2017.

On behalf of the team at Regional Procurement I wish you all a very blessed and peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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