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Foothill College De Anza College

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Dear Vendor.

I am pleased to announce that **Foothill-De Anza Community College District (FHDA)** will begin utilizing a regional bid notification system created exclusively for purchasing departments within the area. This new system allows **FHDA** to post information needed by vendors regarding bids, quotes (informals), request for proposals, amendments, and awards. Currently, Mt. Diablo Unified School District, Amadore County and the City of San Jose use this system. Other agencies are expected to also begin using this centralized system in the months to come.

A centralized bidding and registration system will provide, vendors with a single point of contact for business opportunities throughout our region. The system will save **FHDA** time and money by reducing printing, postage and mailing costs. All vendors who wish to do business with **FHDA** may register on the new system at no charge.

Effective immediately, vendors who have Internet access should review registration options online by signing on to the following web address: www.govbids.com and clicking on the Bay Area Purchasing System link.

If you are already registered on this system, you do NOT have to register again.

If you do not have Internet access, please call our technical support group at BidNet, 800-677-1997, and ask for their Vendor Support Department at extension #214. They will be happy to register you over the telephone.

FHDA looks forward to providing you with more bid information, less paperwork, and a simplified bid process. We appreciate your cooperation and welcome your participation

Should you have any questions regarding this new system or registration, please call BidNet at (800) 677-1997, or Linda Mahi at **Foothill-De Anza Community College District** at (650) 949-6193.

Sincerely,

Carmen Redmond, Director Material & Purchasing Services