

PURCHASE CONNECTION

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SUPPLIER NEWS

New Contract - Stericycle Communications Solutions

We are pleased to announce that we have consolidated the multiple after hour's answering service contracts, with Stericycle Communication Solutions, into one new agreement with Stericycle. The new agreement will count the entire University volume when assigning a rate. The contracted rate is \$1.16 per minute with some departments being grandfathered in at their current lower rate. The new rate will be effective as of June 1, 2019, with credit invoices coming in July 2019

INSURANCE NEWS

Insurance Considerations for Moving

There are three general types of moves. Insurance coverage for each type of move is different.

1. Local Moves (St. Louis):

For local moves, insurance coverage is 60 cents per pound. All equipment owned by Washington University is insured through Washington University's carrier before, during and after a move. Should a loss occur, there is a \$5,000 deductible. If you purchase insurance

adjusting the rate to the newly contracted rate(s). The contract will initially be for 1 year with the option to extend for additional periods. Anyone looking to establish an “off-hours” answering service can contact **Renee Rountree**, Stericycle Business Development Executive (757-344-8898 or renee.rountree@stericycle.com).

For more information, contact Chris Doyle, Purchasing Services (935-7689).

New Contract - Southwest Airlines

We are pleased to announce our new Corporate Agreement with Southwest Airlines for discounts on certain domestic airfares within the Southwest Airline travel market. The discounts will be available beginning August 1, 2019 and run through July 31, 2020. The discounts will range from 1% to 5% depending on fare class. WU policy still requires you to select the lowest available commercial coach/economy fare that fits the business purpose of the trip. These discounts are for **business travel only** and accessible through Acendas Travel (formerly Gwins Travel 314-822-9008), TravelPlex (314-821-0156), Brentwood Travel (314-439-5700) or Altair International Travel (314-968-9600). For Travel Arrangers/Administrative Assistants who are interested in accessing via SWABIZ please email Chris Doyle at christopher_doyle@wustl.edu, who can put you in contact with the Southwest Representative for a virtual SWABIZ demo.

For additional information, contact Chris Doyle, Purchasing Services (935-7689).

through your moving service provider, you can use this against the deductible.

2. Domestic, Interstate Moves (State to State):

Per our agreements with our preferred moving service providers, you are insured for full-replacement value, up to \$125,000 for Interstate moves.

3. International Moves:

Prior to each international move, the appropriate department should determine the value of the shipment. If the item will be shipped over international waters, these shipments must be scheduled with our insurance carrier for coverage to apply.

Coordinate each international move with Karen Rose, Washington University’s Insurance Analyst., who can schedule your move with Washington University’s insurance carrier:

Karen Rose
Karen.t.rose@wustl.edu
(314) 935-5561

For more information, contact Rob Downey, Purchasing Services (935-4298).

POLICY NEWS

High Efficiency Ultra-Low Temperature (ULT) Freezer Policy Announcement

As of March 1st, 2019, the university has implemented a High Efficiency Ultra-Low

Neta Scientific

Washington University's preferred supplier, Neta Scientific, is a certified minority and woman-owned business. Neta Scientific is an authorized distributor of Agilent chromatography lab supplies and consumables, offering discounted pricing and free shipping. Look for the Neta Scientific catalog in Marketplace.

For additional information, contact Angela Lochmann, Purchasing Services (935-5621).

Pipette Calibration Service by MidSci

MidSci is offering a full-service pipette cleaning/calibration special: \$20 for all single and multi-channel calibrations including full cleaning, new o-rings and seals. Simply drop pipettes at the Tissue Culture Support Center and calibrated pipettes will be returned within 3 days. Please contact your MidSci Sales Rep for more information.

For additional information, contact Angela Lochmann, Purchasing Services (935-5621).

Temperature (ULT) Freezer Policy requiring all new ULT freezer purchases to be high-efficiency models. The purpose of the policy is to reduce the energy demand of labs across our campuses. Our current fleet of 900+ ULT Freezers accounts for approximately 3.4% of our energy use – each individual unit requiring the same amount of energy as a typical home. Additionally, the policy requires new ULT freezers to use natural refrigerants with low global warming potential (GWP). Standard ULT freezers use refrigerants with a GWP that is 14,800 times as potent as carbon dioxide, which can have drastic impacts on global climate change through leaks or improper disposal. Many manufacturers offer high-efficiency freezer models that can use as little as half the energy of traditional models with marginal cost deltas, with an ever-improving market on the horizon.

For more information, contact Angela Lochmann, Purchasing Services (935-5621).

SURPLUS PROPERTY NEWS

Coming Soon - Rheaply

Washington University has signed up for an exciting new software platform, called Rheaply, that facilitates the internal re-circulation of unwanted equipment, supplies and furniture. This feature will be accessible by staff, faculty and students across departments and campuses and will support peer-to-peer sharing, enabling users to quickly find an item they need, and promotes re-homing unwanted items efficiently through the university.

Visit our Resource Management web page to view a short demo video about Rheaply and other product

information: <https://resourcemanagement.wustl.edu/purchasing-services/surplus-property/>.

We are currently working to define a pilot group to work within this new software program. If you are interested in being part of this pilot group of users, please email Lisa Owens at owenslisa@wustl.edu.

For more information, contact Lisa Owens, Purchasing Services (935-5649).

DEPARTMENT NEWS

New Addition to Resource Management/Furniture & Design

Michelle Bates joins Resource Management/Furniture & Design as a Purchasing Coordinator/Interior Designer One. Originally from Memphis, TN, Michelle has previous experience in Hospitality Design & Sales and Office Furniture Design. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Interior Design and Marketing (minor in Art History) from the University of Memphis.

MAIL SERVICES

Postage Billing Statements

Do you have questions about your Postage Billing Statement? If so, Mail Services has put together a short video that might help to answer your questions. Please view their video by visiting this link: <https://youtu.be/nnkxWO9sqTk>

For information, please contact Peggy Smith (Peggy_Smith@wustl.edu) or Laurie Brady (lmbrady@wustl.edu).

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