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**TO: Agency Secretaries
Department Directors
SB and DVBE Council Members
Procurement and Contracting Officers (PCOs)
Purchasing Authority Contacts (PACs)**

**SUBJECT: Invitation to Exhibit at the Sacramento Regional Connecting Point
on October 17, 2008**

The DGS Procurement Division and SMUD are co-sponsoring the 2008 Sacramento Regional Connecting Point in collaboration with the Sacramento Public Agency Consortium. This consortium includes: the County of Sacramento, Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, Sacramento Regional Transit, the Small Business Administration, Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, Sacramento Asian Pacific Chamber of Commerce, Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Sacramento Black Chamber of Commerce, the Federal Technology Center, Sacramento Business Information Centers, the Service Core of Retired Executives and the Small Business Development Centers.

The Regional Connecting Point will be held Friday, October 17, 2008. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the event is from 8:00 to 1:00 p.m. at the Ziggurat Building, 707 Third Street, West Sacramento.

At this event, businesses can customize their morning in a way that adds the most value to their business by participating in three different venues:

- **Exposition** - In the Atrium, businesses will meet with buyers and representatives from many State and local government agencies, as well as large businesses seeking to find qualified small businesses and DVBEs.
- **Workshops** - In the Auditorium, there will be presentations how to do business with State and local governments.
- **Computer Labs** – Businesses can participate in a hands-on session to find the resources the State provides to be more successful in getting State contracts.
- **Procurement Fair** – Businesses will have the opportunity to sell their products and services on-the-spot to agencies.

We would like to extend an invitation to your department to participate in the exposition. We will provide a table for your agency to outreach – network – display - and there is no cost to participate!

If you are interested in participating in this event, please register:

<http://www.applications.dgs.ca.gov/pd/cssibid/RegisterIntro.asp?EventID=175>

by close of business October 1, 2008. For additional information please contact Lokamot@smud.org or phone 916-732-5984 or Maureen.Moss@dgs.ca.gov or phone 916-375-4426. Please include whether or not your agency has its own table drape.