# Spring 2006 Workshop Tacoma, Washington, USA April 26, 27 & 28, 2006

To All Public Purchasing Professionals:

You are invited to participate in the Pacific Northwest Public Purchasing Association's Spring workshop to be held at the Courtyard Marriott in downtown Tacoma on April 26, 27 & 28, 2006.

#### WHAT IS IT?

Since 1939 the PNPPA has been holding twice yearly professional development workshops, structured as hands-on question and answer sessions. The focus is on thought provoking agenda items submitted in advance by public purchasing professionals like you. Agenda topics and questions are distributed to registrants, prior to the workshop, so that they may bring materials to share and be ready to discuss their own solutions and experiences. All of this is in an open forum and all attendees are encouraged to contribute.

#### WHO IS IT FOR?

The Association includes public purchasing professionals from state, county and city governments, transit authorities, schools, colleges, public utilities, ports and health districts from the northwestern United States and western Canada who strive to continually learn and increase their effectiveness as public purchasers.

#### **WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?**

By attending the PNPPA workshop you have the opportunity to benefit from the experience and expertise of others who have faced the same challenges. Whether you are brand new to the public purchasing profession or a seasoned veteran, you will come away with new information and a valuable network of other purchasing professionals. Continuing Education Units will be applicable for NIGP and ISM members.

Your host committee is looking forward to seeing you in Tacoma!!



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#### **AGENDA**

Wednesday, April 26 5:00 – 7:00 P.M. Reception / Pre-Registration In Host Suite

Thursday, April 27 7:00 – 8:30 A.M. Continental Breakfast / Registration

8:45 – 12:00 Noon Workshop Sessions

12:00 – 1:30 P.M. Luncheon

1:30 – 4:30 P.M. Workshop Sessions

6:00 – 9:30 P.M. Social Hour, Dinner & Entertainment

Friday, April 28 8:00 – 9:00 A.M. Sit-down Breakfast

9:15 – 12:00 Noon Workshop Session

12:00 Adjourn

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: US \$165.00** 

**LOCATION:** Courtyard Marriott RATE: Single to Quad US \$119.00

1515 Commerce Street Tacoma, WA 98402 (800) 321-2211 (253) 591-9100 (253) 591-9101 fax

www.courtyard.com

MARCH 26, 2006 IS THE ROOM BLOCK RELEASE DATE

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Room rates are subject to applicable taxes



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# REGISTRATION FORM Register by April 1, 2006

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Workshop Registration	4 8 1	US \$165.00	\$	
Will you be attending the banquet on Thur	sday evening?		Y	N
Guest Ticket (Banquet & Entertainment)		US \$ 40.00	\$	
PAYMENT MUST BE INCLUDED WITH Y	OUR REGISTR	ATION – NO PO	'S	
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#### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

The PNPPA workshops have been so different and successful because of total group participation in real problem solving activities. There are no speakers. You and your colleagues are the program. Your ideas, questions and problems make up the agenda.

Please take a few moments to complete the agenda topic section below and include it with your workshop registration. The completed agenda will then be mailed to all registrants prior to the workshop allowing you time to collect information, examples and/or ideas pertinent to agenda topics. Your routine procedure might be a break-through for someone else.

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