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NV Purchasing Division Earns Excellence Award

Carson City, NV - The Nevada Department of Administration is proud to announce its Purchasing Division has received the prestigious Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award for 2015 from the National Procurement Institute. After a rigorous application preparation and review process, only 17 state agencies within the United States and Canada received this award.

"I am very proud of our purchasing team," said Greg Smith, Administrator, Purchasing Division. "They work extremely hard every day to provide outstanding customer service to our clients, vendors, and the public, and this award helps validate their exceptional efforts and high standards of professionalism and best practices."

"Having a strong procurement office, which is effective, efficient and transparent, reassures Nevadans their tax dollars are used prudently with sound fiscal responsibility," said Jim Wells, Director, Department of Administration.

The Purchasing Division will be publically recognized for its achievement at the 47th Annual National Procurement Institute Conference October 11- 14, 2015, in Las Vegas. For more information about the Division, visit their website at http://purchasing.state.nv.us/

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Background: The Achievement of Excellence in Procurement recognizes organizational excellence in procurement. The criteria are designed to measure innovation, professionalism, e-procurement, productivity, and leadership attributes of the procurement function. The Achievement of Excellence in Procurement is sponsored by the National Procurement Institute (NPI), the California Association of Public Procurement Officials (CAPPO), the Florida Association of Public Procurement Officials

(FAPPO), the Institute for Supply Management (ISM), NIGP (National Institute of Governmental Purchasing): The Institute for Public Procurement, the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO), the National Association of Educational Procurement (NAEP), the Texas Public Purchasing Association (TxPPA), and the Canadian Public Procurement Association.