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Giving Thanks Through Ratings and Reviews

By Felicia Campbell, COSTARS Marketing Manager

Procurated was designed to empower public-sector purchasers and suppliers by improving the efficiency of the government procurement process. In 2019, the Department of General Services' Bureau of Procurement partnered with Procurated because we recognized the value this rating and review platform would provide to both our public sector purchasers and our private sector suppliers.

Procurated allows public-sector purchasers to review the suppliers they work with, helping other procurement professionals make informed decisions as they select their next supplier. The platform also provides government suppliers a means to understand the needs of the public sector and improve their performance. In serving two sides of the marketplace, they help to simplify and streamline the procurement process.

The Procurated team has compiled the results of their recent East vs. West Review Writing Competition. They report that 2,500 reviews were submitted by COSTARS members with the East winning the challenge, submitting a whopping 1,319 reviews! It was a close race, however, because the West was hot on their heels with 1,171 reviews! This challenge will likely take place again in 2023, so keep your typing fingers limber until then so you are in top shape to submit reviews on your suppliers.

This contest is not only a fun engagement with the COSTARS members but also supports the purpose of this review site as a procurement tool. As a reviewer, you are not only giving thanks or constructive feedback to your suppliers, but you are providing a valuable resource to your procurement community. The more ratings and reviews that are available through Procurated, the more peace of mind procurement professionals can experience while making their final supplier decisions.

To provide a glimpse of the feedback the suppliers on COSTARS-exclusive contracts have earned from Pennsylvania entities, we have compiled a Top Supplier list of suppliers who *gained at least five reviews*. The top suppliers under each COSTARS-exclusive contract are listed in order by the number of reviews they have received from purchasers in the commonwealth. Of the 36, multi-vendor COSTARS-exclusive contracts, 35 received reviews! The only contract that did not receive reviews was COSTARS-21 Pest Control. If you utilize this contract, consider posting a review at www.procurated.com about the supplier you use to help new users of COSTARS-21 in their decision-making process.

COSTARS SUPPLIER TOP PROCURATED REVIEWS AND RATINGS LIST

COSTARS Contract / Supplier	# Reviews	COSTARS Contract / Supplier	# Reviews
COSTARS-1 Copiers, Document Imaging, MFD's		COSTARS-3 IT Hardware	
ePlus Technology, Inc.	22	Dell Marketing LP	139
Ford Business Machines, Inc.	22	IntegraONE (Integra Business Center, Inc.)	50
Hewlett Packard Company	21	Global Data Consultants, LLC	25
COSTARS-4 Office, School and Library Supplies		COSTARS-5 Janitorial Supplies	
Office Depot	190	Clearfield Wholesale Paper Co.	97
Kurtz Bros., Inc.	125	Veritiv Operating Company	61
Stotz & Fatzinger Office Supply (KCL Inc., T/A)	68	Office Basics, Inc.	59
COSTARS-6 Software		COSTARS-7 Foods	
IntegraONE (Integra Business Center, Inc.)	50	Feesers, Inc.	5
Global Data Consultants, LLC	25		
ePlus Technology, Inc.	22		
COSTARS- 8 MRO		COSTARS-9 Graphic & Printing Services	
Mayer Electric Supply (The Hite Company)	88	George Hill Systems	13
APR Supply Co.	64	Triangle Press, Inc.	9
H&H Interiors, Inc.	43	Scantek, Inc.	8





PA Harvest of the Month

The Pennsylvania Harvest of the Month program was developed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and Project PA, through Penn State University, with the goal of providing participants with local, healthy products while supporting PA farmers and producers. Through the program, a local agricultural product is promoted each month through schools, child and adult care centers, day care homes, and summer feeding sites.

For COSTARS members like these who promote healthy eating as part of their curriculum, the PA Harvest of the Month program has a wealth of educational resources to support your initiative. They offer monthly downloads promoting each month's highlighted food including: fact sheets, information designed as newsletter inclusions, posters, general signage, food graphics, sourcing sheets, social media posts and pre-school activity sheets. The site also hosts a recipe section where users can search recipes designed by categories of home and family, school food service, and child and adult care facilities.

Understanding the needs and requirements of the users of this program, the PA Harvest of the Month site also focuses on resources regarding procurement of local products and local, state and federal procurement regulations.

LOCAL FARMERS AND PRODUCERS!

Did you know you can become a COSTARS-authorized supplier, under COSTARS-7 Foods, to sell your products directly to COSTARS members from schools and care centers? To learn more about the COSTARS program and how to become a COSTARS-authorized supplier, view our recorded webinar for new suppliers at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJw-GUnQOW8. The COSTARS program connects buyers and suppliers to make public procurement more efficient and effective!

Harvest of the Month

January Sweet Potatoes February Mushrooms

March Dairy

April Leafy Greens May Asparagus June Strawberries

July Beets
August Tomatoes
September Peppers
October Apples
November Winter Sou

November Winter Squash
December Cabbage

Alternates: Broccoli, Eggs, Potatoes



www.paharvestofthemonth.org

Navigating the Sodium Chloride Program

On Oct. 15, COSTARS Marketing Managers, Felicia Campbell and Jarod Ganci, presented a webinar for members responsible for administering the use of the 2022-2023 Sodium Chloride contract through the Department of General Services for their organizations. If you were not able to join us for this session, the webinar was recorded for on-demand playback. The webinar included helpful information for members who are new to the use of the contract or who wanted more information to facilitate the needs of their organization with ease and efficiency.

By July 31 Ensure 60% minimum is met.

December - February Strategize salt request/usage.

November 1 - July 31 Purchase Winter Tons.

November 1 Update member profile!

August 1 - October 31 Purchase Initial Tons.

August New contract posted to Newsflash.

April - July DGS has contract out for bid.

March 15 Agreement Deadline.

Jan 4 Agreement Email Sent.

Members who missed the live session can view the recording at https://youtu.be/T-YW8 Gc8PU, to gain education on:

- Definitions for terms used in the sodium chloride program.
- Sodium chloride roadmap of activities that take place throughout the contract season - see the graphic to the left.
- Documents that members should retain to be audit ready.
- Where to find the current contract.
- How to read the current contract.
- An order tracking resource, available at https://www.costars.state.pa.us/HomeMem.aspx in the Newsflash area, to help forecast future needs and monitor minimum and maximum ordering requirements.
- Annual agreement submission process.
- Terms and conditions of the contract.
- Best practices in using the contract.
- The importance of maintaining a current member profile in the sodium chloride process.

Keep your eye on our <u>COSTARS calendar of events</u> page to register for upcoming and view previous COSTARS webinar

training opportunities. You can access this calendar by visiting www.dgs.pa.gov/COSTARS > Program Resources.



Meet the DGS Strategic Support & Audit Division Team

Whether a team at the Bureau of Procurement (BOP) has a direct connection with COSTARS members or not, the work they do affects all procurement aspects within the Department of General Services. One of the teams with much influence across the bureau is this month's team in the spotlight – the Strategic Support & Audit Division (SS&A). This team includes the Procurement Training and Development, Quality Assurance, and Pennsylvania Standards Laboratory teams. SS&A strives to provide exceptional support to the executive team with its knowledge and understanding of procurement systems and data, to internal and external customers utilizing services provided by the laboratory, to commonwealth procurement professionals that require training in the procurement processes, and to BOP and commonwealth programs accessing our quality assurance services.

Toni Nagy Strategic Support & Audit Division Chief tonagy@pa.gov I began my career with the commonwealth as an IT application developer over 24 years ago. During my career, I have worked as an IT Project Manager supporting telecom, hardware management, software development, and construction projects, as an IT contract procurement specialist, and now as the SS&A Division Chief with BOP.

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A commonwealth employee for 12 years, I have been involved with many agencies, including the Departments of Human Services, Transportation, Labor and Industry, and Community and Economic Development. In my current role, I provide data analytics and evaluation to help improve service delivery of procurements and provide support to enhance quality through the management of various information technology systems.

I am a member of the South-Central PA Toastmasters and am on the board of the Shalom House, a non-profit that supports women and children in crisis.

Joshua Smith works directly with Toni to meet the data reporting needs at the BOP. Along with Millie Colon, this reporting function of the division responds to ad-hoc, often urgent and time sensitive requests, from executive staff and the governor's office. Josh is now leading a project that will implement a data dashboard to support reporting needs and more advanced data analysis.

Brian Vulgaris

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I have been an integral part of this team for 20 years! The QA team interacts with every commodity team and agency to ensure unbiased bid information (specifications) that are competitive, ethical and in accordance with the PA Public Procurement Code. We write specifications and PA commercial item descriptions for vehicles, janitorial products, paint, carpet, textiles, roadside herbicides, water treatment chemicals and other products.

I have been married to my wonderful wife, Ann, for 33 years and we love to hike through national parks all around the U.S. I am a sports freak who will take anyone on in a game of wiffleball when I'm not busy playing guitar!

The Quality Assurance team is led by Brian Vulgaris and includes 2 Quality Assurance Specialists, Kelly McEntee and Gerry Grecek. The team completes extensive research to define requirements for the procurement of goods ranging from prison mattresses to helicopters. Additionally, they manage the procurement savings processes, lead special projects geared toward process improvement, and manage the commonwealth master numbers.

Tangela Isaac Program Manager - Organizational Development & Training tisaac@pa.gov The Procurement Training Team, led by Tangela Isaac, manages the hub of procurement resources which includes web-based and instructor-led training, guides, end-user procedures, an Intranet site of resources, and the BOP e-procurement solution. Additionally, they are the main point of contact for agency procurement professionals answering questions and working with IT to resolve procurement system issues. Millie Colon, Cynthia Anderson, and Dorothy Spears support these efforts with their combined 70+ of years of commonwealth experience.

COSTARS in the News



August

The Morning Times - Litchfield Township supervisors approved the purchase of a new dump truck. The Western Star 47X dump truck will likely not arrive until next year due to supply chain issues, according to township secretary Kathy Hunsinger. "It was purchased using the COSTARS program, so we actually got a good deal on it," she said. The COSTARS program is a state cooperative purchase program that helps municipalities with large purchases such as heavy equipment.



GreenGov Council News

Recently, COSTARS participated in the first-ever

Pennsylvania Sustainability Summit, hosted by the PA

GreenGov Council. The summit took place from October 3–7,
which is sustainability week in the commonwealth. Leading
sustainability experts, elected officials, and
state-agency leaders shared an abundance of information on
current sustainability efforts. Some of these topics included
detailed presentations about sustainable programs such as
the energy efficiency program and the local climate action
program, which have already had a significant impact in our
communities. That's not all! There were other presentations
on a variety of topics such as solar siting, grid-scale projects,
high performance green buildings, green procurement,
Pennsylvania's solar future, and so much more!

Following the wildly successful summit, we would like to highlight green contracts available to COSTARS members, so that you can follow in the footsteps of the GreenGov Council and help create a more sustainable planet. COSTARS-exclusive and statewide, COSTARS-participating contracts have a wide variety of eco-friendly products and services, as well as consulting services to help you get started on your sustainability journey.

If you missed the summit, visit the Green Gov Council's Sustainability Week web page at https://www.dgs.pa.gov/greengov/Pages/Sustainability-Week.aspx to view recordings of the sessions. During the summit, the COSTARS team also created a video highlighting green contracts available to COSTARS members. The video can be located at https://youtu.be/zK_74cYqz8Y.

Green Contracts Available to COSTARS Members

COSTARS-3

IT Hardware

COSTARS-5

Janitorial Supplies

COSTARS-17

Waste, Recycling & Materials Handling Containers

COSTARS-25

Municipal Work Vehicles

COSTARS-26

Passenger Vehicles

COSTARS-28

Energy Conservation Management Supplies

COSTARS-30

Energy Consulting Services

COSTARS-41

Stormwater Management Products & Services

6100051157 CADD Workstation Devices, Options & Services

4400020402 Carpet and Resilient Flooring

4400012531 Dishwashing Chemicals

6100037155 Drafting and Engineering Equipment, Supplies and Services

4400020024 Energy Supply & Management Services

6100044346 Mainframe and Midrange Server and Storage Devices

4400016344 Maintenance, Repair and Operations

998002 UniqueSource

4400007410 Consulting Services

4400023919 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment

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Community Conservation Partnership Program Grants

By Jarod Ganci, COSTARS Marketing Manager

Did you know that COSTARS Members are eligible to apply for a variety of Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Grants to help fund their next project. Through the Community Conservation Partnerships Program (C2P2), the Bureau of Recreation and Conservation's goal is to connect citizens and the outdoors through recreation, conservation, and community revitalization. They provide grants and technical assistance for local recreation and conservation projects such as:

- Park rehabilitation and development
- Recreation and conservation planning
- Land acquisition and conservation
- River access and conservation

- Community and watershed forestry
- Trail planning and construction
- ATV and snowmobile projects
- Statewide and regional partnerships

These grants can range from \$50,000 – \$5,000,000 depending on the scope of the project. In 2022 alone, C2P2 awarded more than 300 grants totaling about \$90 million to local recreation and conservation projects. Your project could be the next recipient!

To apply for one of these grants, first go to www.dcnr.pa.gov and click on the "Grants" tab. Scroll down until you see the "Apply for a Grant" section on the right-hand side. By selecting this link, you will be directed to the DCNR electronic grants system. This system provides a one-stop shop for all DCNR grants. The electronic grants system standardizes the application process and provides an environmentally friendly way to submit a secure grant application. Please be advised, the fall round for grant applications is no longer available, so start preparing your details to apply for the 2023 grants.

Additionally, DCNR has a plethora of resources that you can utilize to help in this process. They have a wide variety of webinars aimed at helping applicants navigate through the application process. You can also subscribe to DCNR Grant News at the bottom of the Grants web page under "Stay Connected", to understand deadlines and important information regarding specific grants. In addition to this, each region has an office that is staffed with advisors who are available virtually or in-person. They provide technical assistance, as well as assist with project development and competitive applications.

COSTARS members awarded a grant can stretch the value of their funding by utilizing competitively priced contracts through COSTARS for the purchase of materials and services to complete their projects. Visit www.dgs.pa.gov/COSTARS Member Information > Members Area to search contracts available to members.

COSTARS in the News (cont.)

The Tribune-Review - The New Kensington-Arnold School Board has approved to buy and install a new public address system from Dobil, which the district said was the lowest proposal received under the state's cooperative purchasing program, COSTARS.

The Tribune-Democrat - The Richland School Board approved the purchase of a Bobcat brand Toolcat utility vehicle for the maintenance department through the COSTARS program. This will replace an older piece of equipment and be better suited to the district's needs. Additionally, Richland will share the attachments for the utility vehicle with Pennsylvania Highlands Community College, which has a similar model and compatible equipment.

The Times Leader - The Wyoming Valley West School Board approved a deal to have Third Dimension Specialties install plastic toilet partitions in the stadium female and male stalls to allow for one handicap toilet in each bathroom. The purchase is being made through the state COSTARS cooperative purchasing program.

Butler Eagle - The Cranberry Township Volunteer Fire Company will upgrade one of its oldest fire engines – two years from now. The township's board of supervisors approved the purchase of a 2024 Pierce Engine through the COSTARS contract program. The engine will replace the department's existing 1989 FMC engine, Engine 21-3, in 2024. Township supervisor, Mike Manipole noted, "The price tag on these are never cheap, but you can't put a price tag on that safety, and also the research that the fire department does on building these. I think it's very admirable. You look at all of the different specs, and you build the perfect truck for what we need, and you do it in a cost-effective manner." The 1989 engine will be donated to Butler County Community College's Fire Training Academy for training purposes.

September

The Meadville Tribune - The Limber Road water tower project, approved by the Meadville Area Water Authority (MAWA) in April, began today. Last year's inspection of the Limber tower revealed deficiencies in the lining. The project will also include the installation of a 30-inch secondary hatch in the tank, which Harrington said is a new requirement for water towers. The contract was arranged through COSTARS, the state's cooperative purchasing system.

The Kane Republican - McKean County Commissioners approved a 2-year agreement with Penn Power Systems, PA COSTARS supplier, for emergency generator planned maintenance for generator sets and transfer switches from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2024.

October

The Times Leader - The Lake-Lehman School Board awarded two contracts for new LED street lights in the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School parking areas. CM3 of Fort Washington will supply 18 LED "luminaires," meaning the poles and light heads as well as 36 new lithium batteries. PLD Associates was given the contract to install them. Both contracts are through the state's COSTARS co-operative purchasing system that allows eligible local governments, including public school districts, to purchase from approved contracts established by the state.

Tribune-Review - Allegheny Township supervisors are purchasing a 2023 Police Interceptor vehicle for the township police department. The vehicle is being purchased from TriStar Motors in Blairsville through the state's COSTARS purchasing program. It will replace the department's Ford police utility vehicle that was determined to be a total loss after an accident during a police pursuit five months ago.

October was Cybersecurity Month. The Office of the Budget, the agency that manages the PA Supplier Portal, takes data security very seriously. They recommend all COSTARS participants should remain vigilant and consistent to be cyber-secure.

- **Be wary of requests for personal information.** The commonwealth and its IT professionals will never send unsolicited emails asking for your personal and sensitive information. And remember to always keep your password private.
- Hover to verify links. Use your mouse cursor to hover (do not click) over any links. You should see a pop-up that shows the actual address of the link. Remember: it is very easy to make a link appear to be going one place, when it is going somewhere else entirely. If the link doesn't appear to be going to the proper address, do not click on it.
- Watch for small inconsistencies. Check for red flags such as strange email addresses or slight misspellings in hyperlinks. For example: "likedin.com" instead of "linkedin.com"
- Hesitate on urgency. Don't panic or click on anything until you know it is legit. If an email sounds urgent, take a minute to check its authenticity. Many phishing emails try to create a false sense of urgency in hopes that you act before you have time to think.



Say "no" to content from strangers. Never open attachments or links from people or companies that you do not
know

COSTARS"

When in doubt, contact the sender. If you receive an email from a normally trustworthy source that seems suspicious or slightly off, call the source on the phone to verify. It is possible the sender's email may be compromised.

Giving Thanks Through Ratings and Reviews (cont.)

COSTARS Contract / Supplier	PA Reviews	COSTARS Contract / Supplier	PA Reviews
COSTARS- 11 Toiletries		COSTARS- 12 Emergency Responder Equip.	
Bob Barker Company, Inc.	35	V.E. Ralph & Son, Inc.	50
Allegheny Supply	17	Bob Barker Company, Inc.	35
		TRM Emergency Vehicles LLC	32
COSTARS- 13 Emergency Responder Vehicles		COSTARS- 14 Recreation and Fitness Equip.	
RGH Automotive (New Holland Auto Group)	49	Recreation Resource USA, LLC	20
Whitmoyer Buick-Chevrolet, Inc.	39	George Ely Associates, Inc.	17
Tri-Star Chrysler Motors (Tri-Star Motors, Inc.)	38	C. M. Eichenlaub Co.	16
COSTARS- 15 Water & Wastewater Consumables		COSTARS- 16 Water & Wastewater Components	
George S Coyne Chemical Co Inc.	19	U. S. Municipal Supply Inc.	63
Pollu-Tech, Inc.	13	L/B Water Service, Inc.	47
Guardian CSC	6	A&H Equipment Company	33
COSTARS- 17 Waste, RecyclingContainers		COSTARS- 19 Medical Supplies	
A&H Equipment Company	33	Bound Tree Medical LLC	29
T.M. Fitzgerald & Associates	25	McKesson	18
Eagle Truck Equipment, Inc	9	School Health Corp	5
COSTARS- 20 Laboratory Supplies		COSTARS- 25 Municipal Work Vehicles	
Carolina Biological Supply Company	82	U. S. Municipal Supply Inc.	36
PASCO Scientific	22	E.M. Kutz, Inc.	50
		RGH Automotive (New Holland Auto Group)	49
COSTARS- 26 Passenger Vehicles		COSTARS- 28 Energy Conservation Supplies	
RGH Automotive (New Holland Auto Group)	49	Pittsburgh Air Systems, Inc.	6
Whitmoyer Buick-Chevrolet, Inc.	39		
Tri-Star Chrysler Motors (Tri-Star Motors Inc)	38		
COSTARS- 29 Grounds Keeping Services/Supplies		COSTARS- 32 Signage	
Fisher & Son Co Inc.	15	DeMans Team Sports	7
JW Fleming, Inc.	10	Howard Industries	6
Tomlinson Bomberger Lawn Care & Landscape	10	Bartush Signs Inc	6
COSTARS- 33 Street Lighting, Parking, Streetscape		COSTARS- 34 Theater Furniture, A/V, Instruments	
Keystone Fire Protection Co.	12	C. M. Eichenlaub Co.	16
United Public Safety, Inc.	7	Applied Video Technology, Inc.	12
IPS Group Inc.	6	Keystone Fire Protection Co.	12
COSTARS- 35 Furniture & Window Treatments		COSTARS- 36 Appliances, Cafeteria Equipment	
Kurtz Bros., Inc.	125	Veritiv Operating Company	61
Stotz & Fatzinger Office Supply (KCL Inc., T/A)	68	S.S. Kemp & Co., d/b/a TriMark SS Kemp	9
Office Basics, Inc.	59	Curran Taylor, Inc.	7
COSTARS- 37 Uniforms		COSTARS- 38 Heavy Equipment Rental	
Bob Barker Company, Inc.	35	A&H Equipment Company	33
Keystone Tees	5	United Rentals (North America), Inc.	19
COSTARS- 39 Voting Systems and/or ePollbooks		COSTARS- 40 Security, Surveillance, Fire Systems	
Election Systems and Software, Inc.	21	Global Data Consultants, LLC	25
,		Yesco New Castle, Inc.	21
		TuWay Mobile Communications, Inc.	18
COSTARS- 41 Stormwater Management		COSTARS- 42 Electronic Monitoring	<u> </u>



Want to view individual ratings and reviews left by purchasers?

Members:

Visit <u>www.procurated.com</u>. Log in with your existing credentials or sign up for credentials to use this free platform. Once logged in, use the search icon at the top of the page or the business category buttons to hone in on the specific supplier or list of supplier choices under a category. Click the link on the supplier's name to see a brief description of the company, contract vehicles, service area, commodities and the company's overall rating and individual reviews. The ratings and reviews you see here include all public procurement reviews left by reviewers nationwide.

Suppliers:

Visit www.procurated.com and select For Suppliers at the top of the page. If you have not claimed your page yet, select the Claim Your Page button. Fill out the basic business details to access your dashboard of ratings and reviews.



We Hear You

As always, the COSTARS Program strives to provide you with the best customer service. We consistently listen to and take note of feedback from our members and suppliers. Over the past several months we have received many questions on specific member processes which we'll explain in this installment of "We Hear You." First, if you participate in our Sodium Chloride Program, sales orders must be placed directly with your supplier. Not sure that you submitted an agreement to participate in the salt contract for this year? You can search for your organization in the contract under the county list. The contract can be located in the Newsflash area within the Members Area. If you did not submit a salt request by the March 15 deadline, don't worry! Contact us at GS-PACostars@pa.gov to receive the late request form. Just keep in mind, late requests are subject to supplier approval.

Another question we hear often is about participation in the **WEX Fleet Fuel Card** program. Complete WEX participation forms are to be sent to governmentmailbox@wexinc.com. COSTARS staff does not process the WEX applications.

Suppliers, **quarterly sales reporting** can be entered at any time prior to the sales reporting deadline via the COSTARS Supplier Gateway, accessed through the PA Supplier Portal. As a best practice, log into the PA Supplier Portal monthly to ensure your password is current. If you cannot log into the PA Supplier Portal, visit https://www.budget.pa.gov/Services/ForVendors/Pages/PASP-Admin-Support.aspx and follow the instructions in the grey box on the right side of the web page for help with this portal which is administered by the Office of the Budget.

All general questions about the COSTARS program should be directed to GS-PACostars@pa.gov.



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Joseph Lee

WEX Fleet Fuel Card Program Statewide Contract 4400020592



COSTARS members who who were WEX fleet fuel program participants in 2022 have received a total rebate of \$886,206 from July 2021 - June of

If your organization maintains a fleet of vehicles, you will want to participate in this contract. The WEX fleet fuel program helps COSTARS members control fueling and vehicle costs by simplifying fueling with purchase controls, spending limits, powerful online management tools, and acceptance at 95 percent of fueling stations. Additionally, as a new account incentive, WEX will be offering a \$0.15/gallon rebate for 6 months for new customers.

The applications deadline for the 2023 WEX program is Dec. 31, 2022.

The application is posted in the Newsflash section that can be located by visiting www.dgs.pa.gov/COSTARS Member Information > Members Area. It's easy to apply because the RFP, vetting and paperwork are already done! For more information about this program, or if you have any questions, contact WEX customer service at 1-866-527-8870 or visit www.wexinc.com/Pennsylvania/M24726.

COSTARS On The Road

COSTARS Marketing Managers make it their mission to spread the message about the COSTARS Program, recruit new members and suppliers and provide training about the program.

Upcoming Events

December 6

Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) Mega Matchmaker Event

A COSTARS representative may be available to present to members or suppliers at an upcoming event. To check availability, please contact COSTARS at 1-866-768-7827 or email GS-PaCostars@pa.gov.

View our full event calendar at www.dgs.pa.gov/COSTARS > Program Resources.

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