



End User Procedures for the **E-Alerts System**

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Important Points

- E-Alerts is an e-mail based system that notifies suppliers of new bids issued by the Department of General Services. This program can be accessed through the PA Supplier Portal at www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us (for registered suppliers) or through the [DGS Procurement website](#) (for unregistered suppliers).

- E-Alerts are notifications for solicitations issued only by the Department of General Services - Bureau of Procurement (DGS-BOP). DGS-BOP manages procurements for services in excess of \$250,000 and materials in excess of \$20,000.

- Bidding opportunities under \$10,000 are not posted online, and therefore do not fall under the E-Alerts system. Suppliers interested in bid opportunities through other departments or under \$10,000 must still search [PA E-Marketplace](#) or contact the agency's [purchasing agent](#).

- **We recommend that you still check [PA E-Marketplace](#) website on a daily basis.** These E-Alerts are not meant to be the only notification of bidding opportunities. The Department of General Services assumes no risk or liability for any delays, errors or failures in suppliers' receipt of these E-Alerts.

Accessing the E-Alerts System - Overview

The E-Alerts system can be accessed two separate ways.

- Suppliers who have not registered at the PA Supplier Portal (www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us) may access the E-Alerts system at the [DGS Procurement website](#).
NOTE: Please proceed to page 4 for instructions on how to access the E-Alerts system.
- Suppliers who have registered at the PA Supplier Portal may access the E-Alerts system after logging in to their account (www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us).
NOTE: Please proceed to page 5 for instructions on how to access the E-Alerts system.

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Accessing the E-Alerts System (for unregistered suppliers)

1. Use this link to the DGS Procurement website's [E-Alert subscription form](#).
2. Complete each field as shown and select the "Register" button.

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e-Alert Subscription Service

The e-Alert system is a notification tool that emails information about upcoming solicitations or changes to posted solicitations. This tool is available to both registered Commonwealth Suppliers and the general public.

Create your e-Alert account by entering your information below and selecting "Register."

Username: MSmith Company: Smith Inc
Contact Name: Mary Smith Title: President
Address: 123 market street
City: Harrisburg State: PA Zip: 17101
Phone: 123-456-7890
E-mail Address: msmith@aol.com Confirm: msmith@aol.com
Password: ***** Confirm: *****

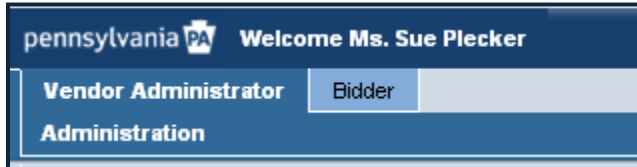
Passwords require: a minimum of 7 Characters, including 1 Special Character (pressing shift and a number key simultaneously, e.g. %, ^, &), 1 Uppercase Letter, 1 Lowercase Letter, and 1 Number.

NOTE: Please proceed directly to page 7 for instructions on how to complete your E-Alerts registration.

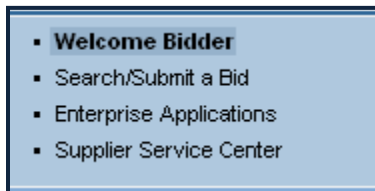
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Accessing the E-Alerts System (for registered suppliers)

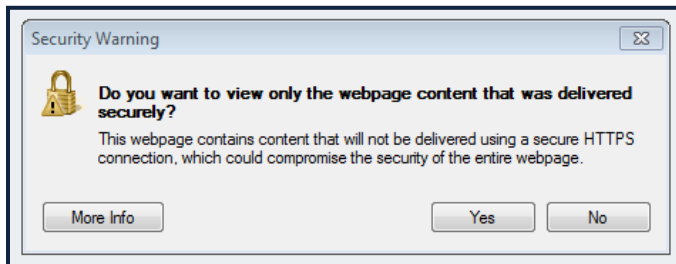
1. Go to www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us and log in with your user name and password.
2. Select the "Bidder Tab".



3. Select "Enterprise Applications".



4. If a Security Information box pops up, select "No".



5. Select the DGS e-mail Notifications (eAlerts) link.



6. Please enter additional company contact information as requested below.

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Please enter the following information before subscribing.

Name	<input type="text"/>	Address	<input type="text"/>
Title	<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>
Phone	<input type="text"/>	City	<input type="text"/> State <input type="text"/> ZIP <input type="text"/>

NOTE: Please continue on to page 7 for instructions on how to complete your E-Alerts registration.


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Completing E-Alerts Registration

1. Upon reaching the E-Alerts welcome page, please choose one of the following options below to select your categories (Materials or Services). **If you wish to select categories for both, you must open each link to select your categories.**

Bureau of Procurement + Materials + Services	Public Works - Construction Bid Opportunities + View All Public Works - Construction Bid Opportunities Topics
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2. Select your categories by placing a checkmark in the appropriate boxes or by clicking on "Select All" and click submit. **If you do not select any categories, you will not receive any E-Alerts.**



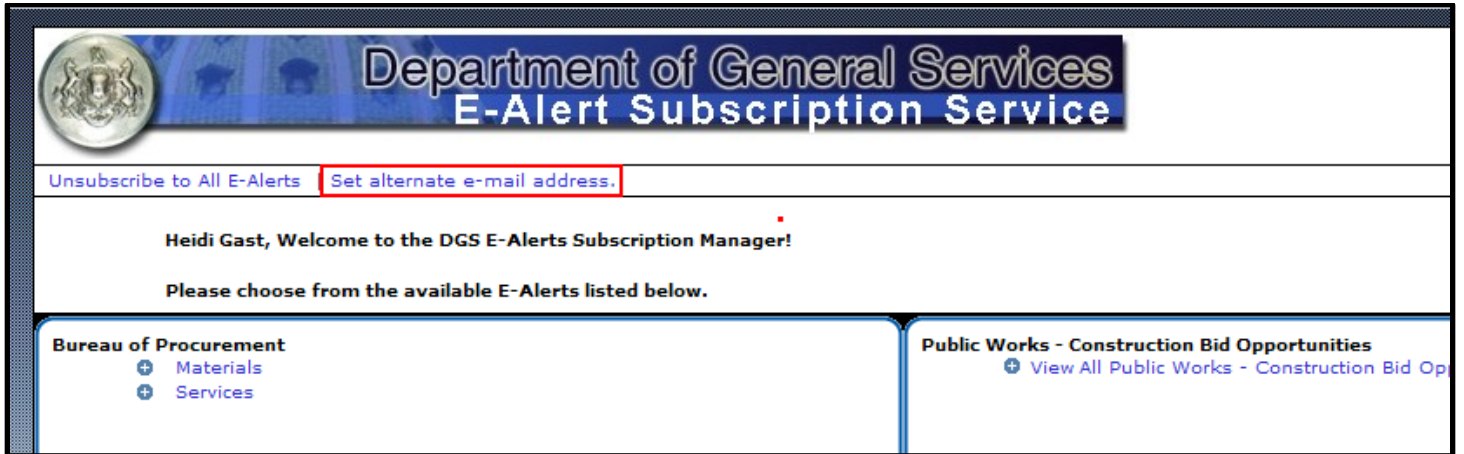
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Bureau of Procurement - Services
Select the E-Alert topics you wish to receive emails about and then click the "Submit" button at the bottom of the page to save your selections.

70000000- Farming and Fishing and Forestry and Wildlife Contracting Services: This segment includes services associated with the production, management and protection of plants, soil and land resources as well as those related to the breeding of animals and services related to wildlife.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
71000000- Mining and oil and gas services: Services provided to the mining and oil and gas industries.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
72000000- Building and Construction and Maintenance Services: This segment includes services associated with the construction and maintenance of buildings, structures and roads. This segment also includes trades such as general contractors, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, painters, and roofing, landscaping, gardening and pest control.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
73000000- Industrial Production and Manufacturing Services: This segment includes contracted services associated with industrial and manufacturing processes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
76000000- Industrial Cleaning Services: This segment includes services associated with wastewater management. This segment also includes industrial cleaning services such as building site cleanup or janitorial services.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
77000000- Environmental Services: This segment includes services associated with environmental protection and management as well as environmental science and technology. This segment also includes pollution control.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
78000000- Transportation and Storage and Mail Services: This segment includes services associated with cargo and personal transportation.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
80000000- Management and Business Professionals and Administrative Services: This segment includes services associated with the management and administrative functions of an organization or business. This segment also includes business administration, human resources, marketing, management consulting, legal, and real estate services.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
81000000- Engineering and Research and Technology Based Services: This segment includes services associated with professional engineering, information and computer technology, economic analysis, and manufacturing production planning and control as well as cartographic, weather forecasting, and other earth science services.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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3. The e-mail address used upon Supplier Registration will automatically receive notifications. You may update your company's default e-mail by following the instructions on the next page.



The screenshot shows the 'Department of General Services E-Alert Subscription Service' interface. At the top left is the state seal. The main header reads 'Department of General Services E-Alert Subscription Service'. Below the header, there are two links: 'Unsubscribe to All E-Alerts' and 'Set alternate e-mail address.' (the latter is highlighted with a red box). The main content area contains a personalized welcome message: 'Heidi Gast, Welcome to the DGS E-Alerts Subscription Manager!' followed by the instruction 'Please choose from the available E-Alerts listed below.' Below this, there are two columns of alert categories. The left column is titled 'Bureau of Procurement' and lists 'Materials' and 'Services', each with a plus sign icon. The right column is titled 'Public Works - Construction Bid Opportunities' and lists 'View All Public Works - Construction Bid Op' with a plus sign icon.

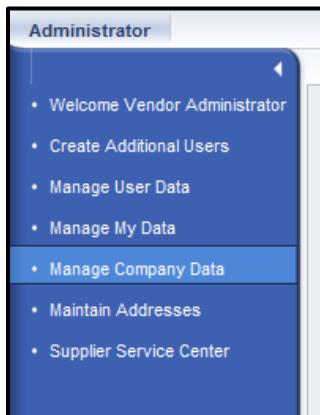
Updating Company E-mail Addresses (registered suppliers only)

To change your company e-mail address, you must go back into the PA Supplier Portal at www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us.

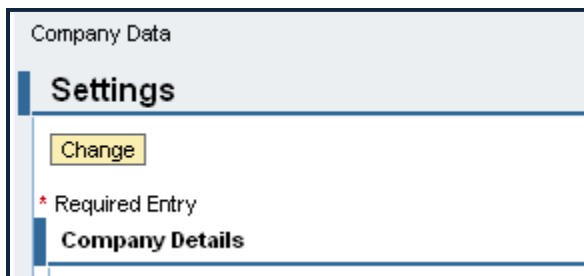
1. Log in using your PA Supplier Portal registration information.



2. Select the "Manage Company Data" tab.



3. Select the "Change" button.



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4. Scroll down to the email address section. Click in the 1st box on the left and delete the listed e-mail address.

E-Mail Addresses		
	Standard Address *	E-Mail Address
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	splecker@state.pa.us
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	pchapman@state.pa.us
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	

5. Scroll back to top of page and click "Save".

Company Data

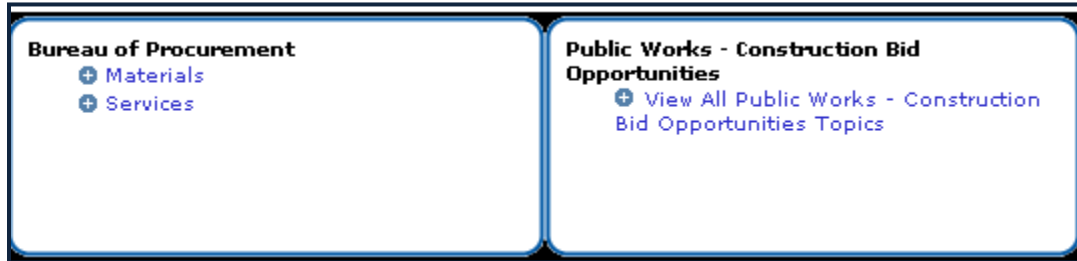
Settings

* Required Entry

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Updating Your E-Alerts Categories

1. Return to the E-Alerts welcome page via www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us (registered suppliers) or www.dgs.state.pa.us (unregistered suppliers).
2. Select the "Materials" or "Services" sections, seen below.



3. Select your categories by placing/removing a check mark on each one and click "Submit".

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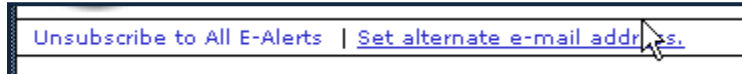
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Unsubscribing From E-Alerts

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2. Select "Unsubscribe to all E-Alerts".



2. Select the "Unsubscribe" button.

