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## **RSU 40 School Nutrition Program SY 2021 Procurement Review Report**

A procurement review of the RSU 40 School Nutrition Department's procurement practices of SY 2020 was conducted to ensure compliance with Federal Regulations 2 CFR 200, 7 CFR 210, as well as applicable local laws.

Code of Conduct- No findings.

<u>**Procurement Procedures</u>**- The procurement procedures provided reference the Federal Procurement Manual; however, this resource specifically notes that it is not applicable to Food Service.</u>

*Required Corrective Action*- Revise the procurement procedures to include Food Service purchases and submit to reviewer by February 12, 2020.

<u>Micro-Purchases</u>- Micro-purchase procedures were not followed. Dennis Paper & Food Service was the primary vendor used when purchasing outside of the formal prime vendor contract. Federal law requires that micro-purchases be reasonable and equitably distributed among qualified suppliers. Receipts must be kept as documentation.

*Required Corrective Action*- Review the micro-purchase requirements and submit plan to ensure guidelines are followed in the future to reviewer by February 12, 2020.

<u>Small Purchases</u>- No findings. However, as a reminder, it is important to consider this purchasing method when determining the best method of procurement when purchasing outside of formal contracts.

**<u>Formal Purchases</u>-** RSU 40 is in a member if the Capital Area Co-Op buying group. Current documentation for the solicitation and award of a prime vendor contract was reviewed and is compliant with federal procurement regulations.

We appreciate the assistance provided throughout the review process. Feel free to contact your reviewer, Adriane Ackroyd at <u>Adriane.ackroyd@maine.gov</u> or 207-592-1722 with any questions.

Sincerely, DocuSigned by:

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