## SWEATFREE PURCHASING CONSORTIUM

## 2011 ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 24, 2011 1:00- 3:00PM Via Conference Call and Webinar

## Meeting Agenda

- I. Election of Directors
- II. Report from Acting President Eric Dirnbach
- III. Committee Reports
  - a. Finance Committee-Sam Dominguez
  - b. Membership Committee-Michele Reale
  - c. Program & Compliance Committee-
  - d. Communications & Operations Committeelan Robinson
- IV. Database Demonstration-Liana Foxvog
- V. Legal Research Report-Harrison Institute for Public Law, Georgetown University Law School

- VI. Report on Uniform Factory Investigations-Workers' Rights Consortium
- VII. Questions and Discussion



March 22, 2011

Re: 2011 Sweatfree Purchasing Consortium Annual Meeting and Call for Nominations to the Board of Directors

Dear Consortium Member:

The 2011 annual meeting of the Sweatfree Purchasing Consortium (the "Consortium") will be held on May 24, 2011 at 1:00 pm EST/12:00 pm CST/ 11:00 am MST/ 10:00 am PST via webinar and conference call.

An agenda for the meeting is enclosed and participation information will be provided shortly. The meeting will be a chance for members to get updated on the activities of the Consortium to date, including an update on the development of the vendor database. This is a very exciting time for the Consortium as it moves forward with its growth and development. The Board of Directors and Bjorn Claeson, the Consortium's Interim Coordinator, have been working extremely hard and made great progress in the past few months. So, we have a lot of exciting information to share.

Also, in accordance with Section 4.04 of the Consortium by-laws, the Board of Directors will be elected at this meeting. We are asking for nominations for the Board. Any current member or director may nominate any representative of a member or labor rights expert, including himself or herself for the position of director. With the exception of the labor rights experts, a nominee must be a representative of a current member. The Consortium is currently comprised of 13 members. The current list of directors can be found at: <a href="http://buysweatfree.org/board">http://buysweatfree.org/board</a>.

The Board of Directors is required to be comprised, as closely as possible, of two-thirds (2/3) exofficio representatives of public members and one-third (1/3) individuals with significant labor rights expertise.

Nominations should be sent to Christine Moody, CPPO, CPPB, Chief Procurement Officer, City of Portland, City of Portland, Procurement Services, 1120 SW Fifth Ave, Suite 750, Portland, OR 97204 or by e-mail to: <a href="mailto:Christine.Moody@portlandoregon.gov">Christine.Moody@portlandoregon.gov</a> on or before April 4, 2011. All nominees will be contacted and asked to express their willingness to serve if elected in writing, and then nominations will be posted on the Consortium website, www.buysweatfree.org, on April 24, 2011.

We look forward to an exciting annual meeting and hope that you will not only be able to join us but will submit your nominations for the Board of Directors.



Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via telephone at 518-474-5607 or via e-mail at michele.reale@ogs.state.ny.us.

Very truly yours,

Michele M. Reale

Chair, Membership Committee