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Staples to Proftech LLC Transition

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As mentioned in the Staples Advantage Account User Update memo dated August 5, 2014, the City University of New York (CUNY) is seeking solutions to meet its Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) participation goal mandated by the Governor of the State of New York. In order to achieve this goal, each College is striving to incorporate M/WBE suppliers within our procurement process.

Staples Advantage[®] has received approval from the State to have a minority business enterprise diversity partner, Proftech LLC, added as a Value Added Reseller (VAR) under the Staples Advantage/State of New York contract for office supplies (PC66026).

In order for the College to make a seamless transition to Proftech, the StaplesAdvantage link will be closed as of Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 5 p.m. This will enable the College to transfer budget balances available to Proftech's site from Staples Advantage.

Effective <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 16, 2014</u>, the College will utilize <u>Proftech.ediversitynetwork.com</u> to place all new orders for the purchase of business related office supplies. To order, please ensure that you use the College's Customer ID: 1033768NYC.

What will stay the same:

- All the same great online ordering tools and functions you have come to expect from the Staples Advantage program will be transferred to Proftech website, making for a seamless experience.
- Your current user name, password and administrative functions will be transferred to the new site including saved shopping lists, order history, messaging features and more.
- Your current delivery schedule, personnel and product selection will not change.
- And your same Account Management Team will be available in addition to the resources from Proftech.

The only changes you will see:

- The URL you use to access your office supply account is Proftech.ediversitynetwork.com.
- New Ship-To codes for your existing Ship-To options will now have "PFT" prefix.
- New Customer Service Support contact information is (855) 273-1628

We are working in partnership with Proftech and Staples Advantage to make this an easy transition for you.

Should you have any problems logging in or need to create a short cut link for Proftech on your desktop, please contact Suzanne Amuso in Operational Services at ext. 3220.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation and support.

