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BID THRESHOLD RAISED

According to the California Department of Education Office of Financial Accountability and Information Services, the bid threshold, pursuant to Public Contract Code section 20111(a), for K-12 districts' purchases of equipment, materials, supplies and services (except construction services) has been adjusted to \$84,100, effective January 1, 2014. This represents an increase of 0.858% over the 2013 bid limit.

It is expected that in the near future the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office will announce a similar adjustment to the bid threshold for community college districts' purchases of equipment, materials, supplies and services (except construction services), pursuant to Public Contracts Code section 20651(a).

The bid limit for construction projects remains at \$15,000.

The bid thresholds for cities, counties and special districts are not affected by the bid limits discussed here.

Should you have any questions regarding these new limits or about bidding in general, please feel free to contact one of our <u>eight offices</u> located statewide. You can also visit our <u>website</u>, follow us on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>, or download our <u>Client News Brief App</u>.

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