



**Subject: The Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Cooperative Purchasing Program (COOP) Purchasing Authority for the Ohio State University (OSU) VMware Virtualization Program through OARnet**

**To Whom It May Concern:**

OARnet is an initiative of the Ohio Department of Higher Education (formerly the Ohio Board of Regents), which conducts its affairs under the administrative and legal supervision of The Ohio State University (OSU).

By means of a partnership between the Ohio Department of Higher Education and the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS), members of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Cooperative Purchasing Program (COOP) may purchase VMware software licenses and support, at significantly reduced rates, under the Ohio State University (OSU) and VMware Enterprise License Agreement (ELA), administered by OARnet.

This Agreement and Order Form are the only authorized documents which can be used to procure VMware Software through OARnet. As these have been approved by The Ohio State University and the Department of Administrative Services' Legal Offices, they are not subject to change. Any modification or revision to this Agreement, OARnet Order Form, VMware EULA or Policy, is not an option made available to End Users.

The policy for anyone renewing software purchased under the Ohio State University VMware contract can only be renewed through OARnet. These license(s) are the property of OARnet until such time as the aforementioned agreement should expire. At which time the license(s) may be transferred to the purchasing DAS COOP member. Partners under this program are restricted to new sales only.

The State of Ohio does not have a state contract number or STS (State Term Schedule) associated with VMware. The State of Ohio is utilizing an existing Ohio Revised Code as their purchase authority for VMware: ORC 127.16(D)(23). End Users may reference OARnet SELA contract #116896750.

Please contact the Ohio Department of Administrative Services Procurement Manger with questions regarding COOP membership status or details regarding participation in this program. You may find more information regarding the CO-OP, at the following link: <http://das.ohio.gov/Divisions/GeneralServices/ProcurementServices/CooperativePurchasing.aspx>.

Sincerely,

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