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## **Texas-based Purchasing Cooperative Awards Contract to Hayes Software Systems**

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The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) awarded a five year contract to Hayes Software Systems for its software products. TCPN's commodity contracts eliminate the need for its members, school districts and public entities, to conduct formal bidding and quoting.

Michael Hayes, President and CEO of Hayes Software Systems, remarked, "TCPN enables our public school district customers to replace the formal bid process that would normally take months and hundreds of staff hours to complete. TCPN does the due diligence for them."

This marks the second consecutive contract awarded to Hayes Software Systems for administrative software products serving the K-12 education market. The company was previously awarded a three year contract in 2004.

### **About The Cooperative Purchasing Network**

The Cooperative Purchasing Network is available for use by all public and private schools, colleges, universities, cities, counties and other government entities in the State of Texas. TCPN's contracts are in complete compliance with all State of Texas statutes, thereby eliminating the need for participating entities to do formal bidding or quoting. For more information about the TCPN program, please call toll-free (888) 884-7695 or visit the TCPN web site at <http://www.tcpn.org/>.

### **About Hayes Software Systems**

Austin, Texas-based Hayes Software Systems' ([www.hayessoft.com](http://www.hayessoft.com)) products automate and streamline school management processes. The foundation of Hayes' success is a dedication to meeting the needs of K-12 education institutions across the country by delivering solutions that solve real world problems, reduce staff workload, and support student achievement. Products include: TIPWeb for web-based, textbook inventory management, Park It for student parking information management, and PupilSafe for student discipline trend analysis.

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