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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **HM Treasury recognises lower-value contracts portal as innovation**

A new report published by HM Treasury has cited Supply2.gov.uk as an innovative tool that makes it easier for small and medium-sized businesses to bid for government contracts valued at under £100,000.

The report, entitled Transforming Government Procurement, was launched by Financial Secretary to the Treasury John Healey MP on 23 January 2007. It details a range of public procurement reforms – including Supply2.gov.uk – which aim to increase the UK's procurement capability in the coming years.

Supply2.gov.uk was launched by the Small Business Service (SBS), part of the Department of Trade and Industry, in June 2006. It allows UK public sector organisations to publicise their lower-value contracts, and businesses can now view these contracts in one place, reducing the time taken to find such opportunities. Since its launch, Supply2.gov.uk has registered over 35,000 suppliers and in excess of 3000 buyers. More than 28,000 public sector contracts have been published.

Gordon McRury, brand manager for Supply2.gov.uk, said: "We are delighted that the Treasury has recognised Supply2.gov.uk as an innovative method of advertising lower-value contracts.

"There is a tremendous appetite for information on lower-value government contracts amongst businesses, and we hope this report encourages more buyers to promote their opportunities on the service. Supply2.gov.uk is a win for both small businesses and the public sector."