



EPA INNOVATION CONTRACT

Because our nation's environmental protection system faces an increasingly complex set of challenges, which create the need to search for more innovative approaches, EPA recognizes that it needs to be adaptive and flexible in finding ways to protect public health and improve environmental protection. EPA's commitment to innovation is outlined in its Innovation Strategy, "Innovating for Better Environmental Results" <http://www.epa.gov/innovation/strategy>.

To help staff throughout EPA carry out innovative activities, the National Center for Environmental Innovation is pleased to make available the "EPA Innovation Contract". This contracting vehicle is aimed at providing in a single place a wide range of services that are needed in all phases of the innovation process. NCEI is offering this sophisticated and strategic technical support to initiate, test, evaluate, and promote widespread adoption of innovations in the nation's system of environmental protection. Capacity is available under this contract for use by staff in all parts of the Agency, not limited to NCEI. Users must provide their own funding, but the contract serves as a vehicle for accessing services that may not be readily available in your existing contracts.

Examples of Services Available Under the Contract:

A wide range of services can be obtained through this contract, including:

- research and analysis
- surveys and other data gathering
- policy options development
- project management
- facilitation
- communications, both written and electronic
- program evaluation
- organizational change support
- web development
- meeting support

How to Access the Contract:

A copy of the contract's statement of work is posted at <http://www.epa.gov/innovation/mission.pdf>. You may contact Marian P. Cooper at (202) 566- 2170 for general information on the contract. Contact Ron Wiley at (202) 566-0941 in OPEI's Contracts Management Group for information on how to use the contract.

NOTE: This contract is available to EPA staff only. It is being publicized here as a demonstration of how EPA is promoting innovation across the Agency.