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Mr. Jay Bauman
Texas Arkansas Purchasing System
2230 North Edwards
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Dear Mr. Bauman:

I have reviewed the provided documentation from TAPS (Texas Arkansas Purchasing System) regarding its practices and procedures in the procurement of commodities and services. It appears that TAPS contracts substantially meet the requirements of Arkansas statutes, rules and remedies in accordance with the provisions of ACA 19-11-256 and 19-11-201, et. seq.

This cooperative agreement with TAPS (Texas Arkansas Purchasing System) would apply to purchases by any Arkansas State Agency, including higher education entities, or political subdivision (counties, municipalities, and school districts).

Should any questions arise, please contact this office.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jane Benton".

Jane T. Benton, Director
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