

FYI

PC Discounts

Each year the number of households in the United States that have personal computers is growing. As each of you know, the USPTO has entered the e-government arena and has great plans for leveraging technology in all of our processes. As a result, when the USPTO workstation contract is re-competed this year, in addition to negotiating prices for USPTO computers, we will negotiate pricing for employees to purchase new personal home computers directly from the vendor at what we expect to be significantly discounted prices. The procurement process will begin shortly and we anticipate award of a contract in early Spring. Watch the Procurement homepage on the Intranet for status reports.