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### **SMART TEMPS, LLC Selected By INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS/TAPS) as TEMPERATURE MANAGEMENT PROVIDER**

**Mishawaka, Ind.** – Mishawaka-based SMART Temps<sup>®</sup>, LLC has recently announced a strategic partnership with The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS/TAPS) as an approved general services vendor to provide wireless temperature monitoring to its members. TIPS/TAPS, a purchasing cooperative serving public and private school districts, colleges and universities, and other government entities at the federal, state, city, county, and municipal levels, is designed to provide participating government buyers with substantial savings and value through cooperative purchasing practices.

TIPS/TAPS has chosen SMART Temps Temperature Management System to assist its members in 24/7/365 wireless temperature monitoring and cloud-based data storage for temperature sensitive equipment such as refrigerators, freezers, and other temperature sensitive equipment. SMART Temps will also assist in monitoring the temperature of food throughout the flow-of-food process including receiving, prepping, cooking, holding, serving, and cooling to exceed all HACCP, FDA, USDA, and state health department regulations.

#### **The SMART Temps Advantage**

SMART Temps uses patented wireless technology to document equipment and food temperature information in real-time using the SMART Command Center<sup>®</sup> website. This allows temperatures to be automatically uploaded and alerts to be sent via text, phone, or email so immediate corrective action can be taken when necessary.

Mac McKay, SMART Temps Director of K-12 Sales adds, “In addition to the monitoring and recording benefits that exceed all HACCP, USDA, FDA, and CDC compliance standards, SMART Temps helps customers avoid costly food loss by continuously monitoring temperatures for walk-in or reach-in refrigerators/freezers, holding cabinets, delivery trucks, etc. If temperatures are not in the proper range, alerts are sent via email, text and/or phone 24/7/365. The SMART Shield<sup>®</sup> thermocouple is a great tool for busy directors looking to improve the “flow of food” process, standardize kitchen operation, manage by exception, maximize profits, and most importantly, protect students against food borne illness.”

#### **About SMART Temps, LLC**

The SMART Temps Temperature Management System was designed and developed by the SMART Temps management team who, combined, has more than 50 years experience in the healthcare and food service industries. The system was originally developed for the K-12 school market to help meet government requirements for HACCP programs in schools. Since 2006, the company has found overwhelming success in the healthcare, college and universities, restaurant and other segments, in addition to K-12, where temperature monitoring and control are critical. The system's sole function is to aid in the management and safekeeping of food, equipment and other temperature-dependent products including blood, vaccines and reagents. Using a patented cloud-based solution, SMART Temps has quickly become the industry leader in temperature management. For more information on SMART Temps, visit, [www.SMART-Temps.com](http://www.SMART-Temps.com) or call toll free (877) 272-3111.

#### **About The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS/TAPS)**

The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS/TAPS), a purchasing cooperative serving public and private school districts, colleges, universities, federal, state, county and city municipalities. The purpose of TIPS/TAPS is to provide substantial savings and best value for participating members through cooperative purchasing practices for its members stretching over 48 states. The mission of TIPS/TAPS is to provide a proven cooperative purchasing process through quality customer service including timely responses, legal support and effective recruitment by providing sufficient resources to include personnel. For more information on TIPS/TAPS, visit [www.tips-usa.com](http://www.tips-usa.com) or call 866-839-8477.

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