Beginning on January 3rd, **Unifirst** will replace Alsco to serve as our new supplier providing lab coat laundering service, with pickups to begin on January 10th. This new contract will continue to include lab coat weekly onsite pickup and delivery at the labs. The pricing will be 35 cents per laundered lab coat. For linen rental services, you should contact Unifirst directly and a special quote will be provided for linen rental prices and pickup and delivery service. You can contact Unifirst by email at emorylaundry@unifirst.com. You may also reach them by phone by calling Catrina Tanner at (404)361-3700.

The process for requesting lab coat laundering will not change. Please do this through Emory Express by using the “Lab Coat Laundering Form” in the forms section. The form includes a space for you to indicate your PI name, the total number of lab coats to be laundered, as well as the preferred delivery and pickup location. They day of pickup and delivery for lab coats, as well as the cutoff time to for Unifirst to receive POs, will be detailed on the form. Please note that the first time you request the service for your coats, there will be a two week turnaround time to tag all coats with department and location.

You will use the same laundry bags for placing laundry orders. **Please remember to remove pens/markers from your coats before putting them in the soiled laundry bag or you will be financially responsible for the resulting damage to all other coats.** The soiled laundry bags should be left outside of the designated pickup rooms and should have the PO number written on them in black WASHABLE marker - no sharpies or permanent markers, please. Bags will not be picked up without the valid PO number specific to that location. When your soiled laundry bag has been picked up, a clean empty bag will be left in its place as well as the clean laundry (on hangers) that was sent the prior week. Instructions for this process will also be included on the “Lab Coat Laundering Form.”

The request to use only WASHABLE markers (preferably black) should be noted. It is both a cost-saving measure, in the sense that the bags can be cleaned for the next use, and encourages sustainability by not requiring a printed PO to be enclosed with your soiled laundry bag. You may order a washable marker from Staples using Emory Express (catalog number: 379566). These may also be available in the Chemistry Supply Stockroom.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we move to this new supplier for our lab coat laundering needs. If you have any questions that were not answered above, please contact Finesha Lee (finesha.lee@emory.edu) or Roland Milam (roland.milam@emory.edu). As always, we look forward to serving the Emory community.