

**CITY OF COLUMBUS-SOLE SOURCE INFORMATION FORM**  
**To accompany legislation which waives any provisions of Columbus City Code Chapter 329**

**1. Verification of Sole Source: (why no other individual or business entity is capable of supplying the needed items /service)**

- Sole Source manufacturer/distributor.
- Sole distributor authorized for this territory.
- Patented product purchased for owner/developer.
- Sole company offering this unique service.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Describe any effort to bid for alternate item (service or product) that is not provided by a sole source that would meet this need:** Flow meters are used to monitor storm water flows throughout the City and to be able to use that information for preventative maintenance or possible problems that may occur in storm water lines. Up until June of 2006 the Division of Sewerage and Drainage purchased meters that are LAN line capable. However, through various CIP projects mostly I&I studies, contractors purchased meters through ADS LLC. It has now become necessary for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage to take ownership and become responsible for the payment of the monthly wireless fees for 182 meters, which was an increase of 52 meters during 2015. The cost per month is \$25.00 per meter

ADS LLC has negotiated a custom level service with AT&T for the wireless technology for the flow meters to perform. This process includes a fixed IP address for each SIM card within the flow meter. Assigning individual meters with a fixed IP address allows the Division of Sewerage and Drainage to call individual meters any time to collect data or perform diagnostics. Furthermore, ADS LLC has developed a flow meter communication hardware and software around this technology and the flow meters will not function under any other system.

**3. Describe efforts to determine/verify that the company is the sole source:** ADS LLC has developed a flow meter communication hardware and software around this technology and the flow meters will not function under any other system.

**4. Indicate how the price or fee structure was determined:** Through negotiations with ADS LLC and the City of Columbus, quote attached.