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**CITY OF COLUMBUS - BID WAIVER INFORMATION FORM  
TO ACCOMPANY LEGISLATION WHICH WAIVES ANY PROVISIONS OF  
COLUMBUS CITY CODES CHAPTER 329  
(PLEASE LIMIT YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS SHEET)**

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1. In accordance with section 329.27 of the Columbus City Code, City Council may determine that the City's best interest is served by waiving the City Code Formal Bid procedures for the following reason(s): (Note that these reasons are all based on time. Currently, formal bid average completion time is 160 calendar days.)

- An unanticipated breakdown created an unplanned, emergency need.
- The item to be purchased is of a perishable nature, the price or availability will perish before the formal bid process can be completed.
- Need to extend an existing contract for one year or more where no provision for extension was included in the original bid/contract.
- Need to increase a contract for additional supplies/services, although the original contract obligations have been fulfilled.
- A new law or regulation requires immediate compliance; there is insufficient time to accomplish formal competitive bidding and satisfy the needs in order to comply.
- Other: There is not enough time to obtain formally advertised, competitive sealed bids to satisfy the needs because: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Informal bid procedure used:       Yes       No      Explain:

The City of Columbus first contracted with this vendor through the competitive RFP process. The contract was approved through ordinance 1723-2008 for access to this database and has continuously been in use since. This technology was a key effort in the City seminal effort to curb the scrap metal thefts within the City. This vital database is a valuable tool for investigators and is now used throughout Central Ohio, the State of Ohio, and around the nation.

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3. Informal bids received and prices for each:

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4. If lowest bid was not accepted, Explain:

This vital database is a valuable tool for investigators and is now used throughout Central Ohio, the State of Ohio, and around the nation. With daily access, this vital tool is paramount to operations, investigations and solving crimes within the City, therefore, the Division of Police requests a bid waiver to continue services with this vendor.

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