
CITY OF COLUMBUS - SOLE SOURCE INFORMATION FORM

TO ACCOMPANY LEGISLATION WHICH WAIVES
ANY PROVISIONS OF COLUMBUS CITY CODE CHAPTER 329.
(LIMIT YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS SHEET)

1. Verification of sole source: (Why no other individual or business entity is capable of supplying the needed item/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:

The Division of Sewerage and Drainage (DOSD) determined that the chemical diquat dibromide is the most effective way to treat roots in sewers as it is classified as non-carcinogenic and not considered a volatile compound, and is approved by the United States EPA for this use. DOSD determined that other chemicals are not acceptable for use in this program due to either ineffectiveness or the presence of metam sodium, which the US EPA classifies as a likely carcinogen.

3. Describe efforts to determine/verify that the company is the sole source:

Determined by various DOSD personnel and through communication with the vendor. RAZOROOTER®, which contains the active ingredient, diquat dibromide ("diquat"), is a proprietary product of Duke's Root Control, Inc. and is currently the only diquat-based, sewer root control product registered with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Duke's Root Control is the only commercial applicator licensed with Ohio Department of Agriculture to apply this product to sewers.

4. Indicate how the price or fee structure was determined:

Vendor price quote dated 3/16/2022.

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