
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 Columbus Health Department is the coordinating agency for Columbus Metropolitan Medical Response System (CMMRS). The official group of subject-matter experts of the CMMRS for matters involving pharmaceuticals within the first 48 hours of an emergency response is its Pharmaceutical Sub-Committee.

Over the past year the sub-committee has recognized the need for the addition of an antidotes to radiation exposure to the CMMRS emergency pharmaceutical caches in local hospitals. Over the last four months, the sub-committee with officials representing local hospital pharmacies and the Central Ohio Poison Center has determined that the antidotes selected for addition to the CMMRS caches needed to give protection against a broad range of radioisotopes that could potentially be involved in a radiation emergency. The sub-committee determined that Prussian blue and DTPA-calcium and DTPA-zinc were the antidotes that gave the best broad range protection. DTPA-calcium and DTPA-zinc are approved by the Department of Homeland Security and CDC as antidotes to radiation poisoning from Plutonium-239, Americium-241, Curium-244, Californium-252, Thorium-232, and Yttrium-90.

Following this determination, the sub-committee conducted a search process for providers of DTPA-calcium and DTPA-zinc and found that Akorn Inc. is the sole source of these products in the United States.

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

This is a proprietary item and Akorn Inc. is the sole distributor.

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

Quotation request.

Ordinance No.:

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