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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: The Division of Sewerage and Drainage purchased the original digester cover equipment at the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant through competitive bids under Contract J187 in 1989. The award was made to Siemens Water Technologies Corporation, who is the sole manufacturer and distributor for the Dystor digester cover equipment. Even though it could conceivably be possible to replace the entire anaerobic digestion complex at JPWWTP with another cover system entirely, the capital costs involved would greatly exceed the cost and work required for replacement with the Dystor equipment.

3. Describe efforts to determine/verify that the company is the sole source: As stated above, Siemens Water Technologies Corporation is the sole representative to maintain the equipment located at the facility. This equipment is a proprietary design that must be designed by Siemens and installed by Siemens' subcontractors to provide full warranty coverage for the entire system as well as for all of the associated components. Most importantly, the Siemens Dystor digester cover system provides the means for the control and regulation the highly explosive methane gas byproduct of the crucial and pivotal anaerobic digestion process at JPWWTP. Siemens must retain full responsibility for the integrity of this system that, if it should malfunction, could produce a very destructive and expensive explosion at the JPWWTP.

4. Indicate how the price or fee structure was determined: Quote submitted to Division of Sewerage and Drainage on November 8, 2010.