
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:

B&L Associates was awarded a contract (FP004153) in 2001 as part of a formal bid to provide DoT for a Tape Library System compatible with its Unisys mainframe system. DoT remains satisfied with the existing service, so no effort to bid for an alternate item has been conducted this year. Also, the Unisys system will be retired by the end of 2013, so it is in the best interests of the City to continue with the current service provided by B&L.

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

B&L Associates provided a letter verifying that they are the sole provider of annual maintenance for the tape library system that is compatible with the City's Unisys mainframe systems. Additional research verifies that B&L does not utilize resellers to provide annual maintenance.

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

B&L provided a price quote reflecting the negotiated price for the service.

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