
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 bid process has been used the past 5 years to find a company that can service the building. There have been many problems these contractors have been unable to diagnose and fix. Over the past five years the awarded contractors have been calling Speer Mechanical (the company that provided these services the first 15 years) to diagnose and fix problems, then marking up the Speer charges to bill the City.

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

A software tool was installed to serve as the building automation control system when the building opened and Speer Mechanical has used it since then. The software is obsolete and other companies cannot access or use it. This software allows Speer to diagnose problems others have not been able to diagnose, and to fix problems considerably faster, more than offsetting their higher labor rate. The companies contracted over the past five years have helped to verify that Speer is the sole source by contacting Speer to diagnose and fix problems they could not.

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

A 10% discount off standard rates was negotiated with Speer.

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