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: On 5/20/08, Columbus Public Health entered into a licensing agreement with Mt. Carmel Health Systems, Inc., for access to NextGen, a proprietary electronic health record (EHR) system owned by NextGen Healthcare, Inc. This practice agreement allowed Columbus Public Health to access NextGen similar to individual physician practices affiliated with Mt. Carmel Health Systems. This arrangement required Columbus Public Health to adhere to certain EHR system standards and configurations established by Mt. Carmel. Columbus Public Health has come to the conclusion that these limitations overly restrict CPH's ability to customize NextGen's capabilities for maximum efficiency for Columbus Public Health's unique public health clinical operations. Columbus Public Health wishes to become a direct client of NextGen Healthcare, Inc.

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:

Columbus Public Health reviewed the five preferred EHR vendors selected by CliniSync (Ohio Health Information Partnership), the statewide organization created by federal stimulus funds and State of Ohio, to assist organizations in identifying quality EHR's. The review included analyzing an extensive list of capabilities of each system. The review determined it was in the City's best interest to continue our utilization of the NextGen proprietary system by directly contract with NextGen Healthcare, Inc.

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

NextGen Healthcare is a proprietary software owned by NextGen Healthcare, Inc. A direct client relationship is required in order to access and utilize the full capabilities and services NextGen Healthcare, Inc. offers.

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

The prices were negotiated. The City received a 25% discount that is available to all current NextGen clients.

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