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## 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)

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**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:

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**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.

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**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.

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

B&L provided a price quote reflecting the price for the services.

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