

REQUEST FOR SOLE SOURCE

TO: CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICE, COUNTY OF MAUI FINANCE  
DEPARTMENT

FROM: County of Maui, Department of Fire and Public Safety  
(Department/Division/Agency)

RE: REQUEST FOR SOLE SOURCE APPROVAL

Pursuant to §103D-306, HRS, and Subchapter 9, Chapter 3-122, HAR, the Department requests sole source approval to purchase the following:

Description of goods, services, or construction:

Five (5) sets of Paratech Multiforce Basic Air Lifting Bag Kits, with saddlebag control kits.  
Part number: 22-88D025BK PARA

Name of vendor: LN Curtis

Cost: \$ 41,537.60

Term of contract: From July 2021 To July 2022

Prior Sole Source Reference No.(s), if any:

- (1) The goods, services, or construction has the following unique features, characteristics, or capabilities:

The Paratech Multiforce air bag system consists of an inflatable, dual stage, heavy duty rubber bag that can be utilized to raise vehicles from their resting positions to one that offers more stability and room to operate, allowing for expedient and safe extrication. It is inflated with a compressed air cylinder and has the ability to relieve pressure on a person who has been pinned down by a vehicle, or stabilize a vehicle in a precarious position. This system is superior to the ones currently being used by our department in many ways: first of all, the new air bags have a dual stage lifting system that keeps the load steady while lifting up to 26 inches. Our current air bags when stacked, can only reach up to 24 inches and are unstable in comparison, due to the fact that we need to stack two individual bags on top of each other to reach that height. Secondly, the new system has safety relief valves integrated into the bag itself, making over inflation completely impossible. With our current set up, the air bags run the risk of exploding if pushed too far under extreme weight. Thirdly, the new air bag kit can support a total weight of 31 tons. Our current system is only designed for 10 tons per bag, and we can only safely stack two bags at one time. Lastly, the heavy duty rubber gripping surface is more resistant to punctures and damage than our current neoprene bags. These tools will allow trained emergency responders to decrease the amount of time taken to extricate victims of vehicle crashes which, in turn, increases their survivability rate.

- (2) How the unique features, characteristics, or capabilities are essential for the agency to accomplish its work:

These unique features will allow our firefighters to have a safer work environment. The one piece design offers superior stability. It will also allow our firefighters to extricate victims quicker. Please refer to the answer to question #1.

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(Attach Additional Sheets if Necessary)

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(3) The following other possible sources for the goods, services, or construction were investigated but do not meet our needs because:

Paratech only has one company that sells its product per state. In Hawaii, LN Curtis & Sons is that company.

Direct questions to: Michael Werner 270-6237

A completed Notice of Sole Source is attached.

**I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, TRUE, CORRECT AND THAT THE GOODS, SERVICES, OR CONSTRUCTION ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH ONLY ONE SOURCE.**



Department/Agency Head

Authorized Designee

Date:

6/24/21

Title:  
Date:

FIRE CHIEF

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

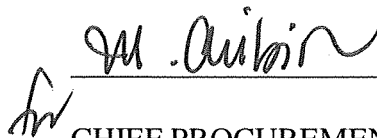
Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative and statutory requirements.

This expenditure may be processed through a purchase order:

Yes  No: . If no, a contract must be executed and funds certified.

APPROVED

DENIED



CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

Date:

6/29/21

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NOTICE OF SOLE SOURCE

The Chief Procurement Officer is in the process of reviewing the request from the Department of Fire & Public Safety For the sole

source purchase of the following goods, services, or construction:

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Part No. 22-88D025BK PARA

Name of vendor: LN Curtis & Sons

Address: 185 Lennon Lane, Suite 110

Walnut Creek CA 94598

Cost: \$ 41,537.60

Term of contract: From July 2021 To July 2022

Direct Any Inquiries To:

Name/Title: Michael Werner, Assistant Fire Chief

Address: 200 Dairy Road Kahului HI 96732

Phone No.: (808) 270-6232

Fax No.: (808) 270-7919

7/1/21  
Date Notice Posted

A copy of this notice of intent shall be posted by the Chief Procurement Officer and the purchasing agency in an area accessible to the public, at last seven calendar days prior to any approval action.

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Submit written objections to this notice of intent to issue a sole source contract within seven calendar days from the date this notice was posted to:

Chief Procurement Officer  
State Procurement Office  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813