

City of Laredo Sole Source Affidavit

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Compliance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 252.021 is not required for purchases that are available from only one source, including: An item for which competition is precluded because of a patent, copyright, secret process, or monopoly. The item is a film, manuscript, or book. The item is a utility service, including electricity, gas, or water. The item is a captive replacement part or component for equipment. The sole source exception does not apply to mainframe data processing equipment and peripheral attachments with a single-item purchase price in excess of \$15,000.

1. My name is (Print Name) Mark Adler

I am over the age of 18, have never been convicted of a felony and am competent to make this affidavit.
I am authorized to sign contracts for the following company or firm:

Company: Mobile Lift Concepts

Address: 1024 Peter Christian Circle

City, State, Zip Code: Corona, CA 92881

Telephone Number: (949) 307-5900

Fax Number: (877) 999-1950

E-mail Address: _____

2. The above-named company or firm is the sole source of the following item(s) and no other company or firm in the United States of America sells or distributes the products listed below:

Mobile Lift Trailers

3. Competition in providing the above-named item(s) is precluded due to:

☐ A patent

☐ A copyright

☒ A secret process

☐ A monopoly

☐ It is a film

☐ It is a manuscript

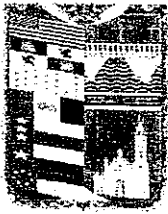
☐ It is a book

☐ It is a utility service, including electricity, gas, or water (does not apply to parts used for utility services)

☐ It is a captive replacement part or component for equipment

☐ Other circumstances provided by Texas Local Government Code 252.022 (provide details above)

4. There is/are no other like item(s) or product(s) available for purchase that would serve the same purpose or function and there is only one price for the above-named item(s) or product(s) because of exclusive distribution or marketing rights. **Correct**
5. This affidavit is valid for a period of one year, or until changed circumstances render it inaccurate, whichever occurs first.



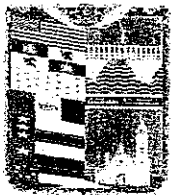
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Title of Authorized Official

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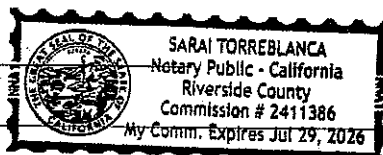
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NOTARY USE ONLY

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 31 day of
December, 2024 State of
California, County of Riverside

[Signature]
Signature of Applicant

[Signature]
Signature of Notary Public



Purchasing Department Use ONLY

Approved *[Signature]* 1/3/2025
Not Approved Return to Using _____
Department

Purchasing Agent Signature

Date



March 17, 2008

TO: Winston F. McColl, Director
Purchasing and Contracting Department (O-32)

FROM: William B. Kolender, Sheriff
Sheriff's Department (O-41)

**REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT UNDER BOARD
POLICY A-87 (Requisition #49310)**

In accordance with Board Policy A-87, "Competitive Procurement," this is a request for approval of sole source procurement of a Methbuster Mobile Lift

1. ITEMS OR SERVICES TO BE PROCURED

The item to be procured is one (1) Methbuster Mobile Lift
Research.

2. WHAT ITEMS WILL DO FOR THE COUNTY

The Sheriff's Department High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area/Tactical Narcotics Team (HIDTA/TNT) requires the procurement of a portable vehicle lift for conducting vehicle interdiction operations. The ability to quickly conduct more thorough vehicle undercarriage searches and other concealed compartments will greatly reduce any likelihood of an unreasonable and unlawful detention of suspected smugglers and innocent detainees.

**3. THE SPECIFIC EXCEPTION; i.e., SOLE SOURCE OR COMPATIBILITY/ REASON
FOR SOLE SOURCE**

The Methbuster Mobile Lift is a unique, self-contained, mobile vehicle lift, specially designed for law enforcement vehicle interdiction operations and includes specific requirement set out by the San Diego Sheriff's Department and HIDTA/TNT. The towable vehicle lift system has a patented sliding ergonomic undercarriage inspection chair that allows law enforcement staff to lift and inspect vehicles quickly. The unit will contain storage for tools necessary to open

Other available portable lift devices are primarily used by the automotive industry, which do not meet the required application of HDTA/TNT.

4. COST

Your approval of this sole source procurement request will be appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Lt. Tim Curran at (858) 616-4032 or Sgt. Rich Williams at (619) 478-2041.


William B. Kolender, Sheriff

FACTS:

The San Diego County Sheriff's Department is the lead agency in the Southwest Border HIDTA, California Region. The Sheriff's HIDTA/TNT unit is responsible for conducting multi agency counter narcotic operations along the U.S. and Mexican Border, from Imperial County to the Pacific Ocean. The area has been designated a high intensity drug trafficking area and continuously yields a high volume of drug related seizures by law enforcement.

The stated mission of the Southwest Border HIDTA, California Region is "To reduce drug trafficking, thereby reducing the impact of illicit drugs in this region and other areas of the country. To accomplish this mission, the CBAG will assist in the coordination of joint operational and supporting initiatives to deter, disrupt, dismantle, and ultimately eliminate the most significant Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO's), their supporting transportation and money laundering organizations. The CBAG will also emphasize efforts against methamphetamine manufacturing, precursor supply, and "club drug" abuse through innovative enforcement operations and demand reduction programs utilizing a multi-agency, joint concept of operations."

Part of the SDDS HIDTA/TNT unit's goals and objectives is to focus on criminal highway interdiction in furtherance of our stated HIDTA goals. There is a multitude of smuggling routes in our assigned area of operation. These include north, west and eastbound narcotic trafficking from Mexico as well as southbound trafficking of illicitly gained U.S. currency into Mexico. With these various major smuggling routes, an interdiction team supplied with various modern detection tools would have improved probability of success in locating and detecting major distributors of methamphetamine as well as other narcotics. A law enforcement seizure of U.S. currency being transported back to Mexico is a crippling blow to a drug trafficking organization. Currency seizures are also a clear goal in our efforts to deter, disrupt, dismantle, and ultimately eliminate the most significant of these organizations and their supporting transportation and money laundering organizations.

Criminal narcotic traffickers have become increasingly adept at avoiding stationary checkpoint facilities by taking alternate routes and using scout and diversionary vehicles to circumvent, bypass and avoid law enforcement detection. Traffickers have also advanced in the development, construction and use of hidden compartments to facilitate their criminal enterprises. Hidden compartments give the traffickers the best chances of avoiding detection by Law Enforcement and Immigration officials.

The most successful means of detecting hidden compartments is through the combined use of detection tools including canines, density meters, scopes, vehicle lifts and law enforcement expertise, investigative methods and cooperative intelligence gathering and sharing. The addition of a mobile vehicle lift that can be used at any mobile checkpoint location will greatly aid in the detection of hidden contraband and augment the stationary lift facilities in the region. By coordinating and further assisting in such mobile criminal interdiction efforts, the Sheriff's HIDTA/TNT and allied agencies will increase overall effectiveness of mutual interdiction operations throughout San Diego County.

CONCLUSION:

The use of the equipment will help to increase safety and efficiency, not just for Sheriff's employees, but allied agencies in the area, as we continue our multi-agency counter narcotic operations. The purchase of this piece of equipment would enhance our chances of success in seizing narcotics and currency and making related arrests.

After thoroughly evaluating available products and HIDTA/TNT needs in various settings and scenarios, I believe the safety and operational benefits of purchasing and utilizing a Methbuster mobile vehicle lift and the associated requested tools more than offset the purchase cost.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Purchase a Methbuster Mobile Lift for use by San Diego County HIDTA/TNT Unit.

ATTACHMENTS:

Product specifications

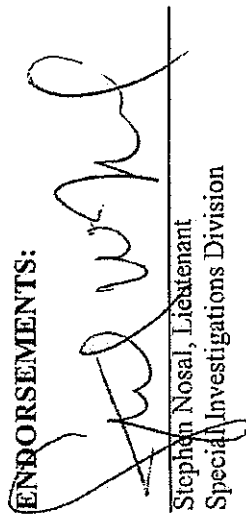
Price quotation and attachments, including customized list of tools to be provided with product
Images of Methbuster Mobile Lift product obtained by SBSB

Respectfully Submitted,



Rich Williams, Sergeant
Special Investigations Division, HIDTA/TNT

ENDORSEMENTS:


Stephen Nosal, Lieutenant
Special Investigations Division

2-13-08 ☒ Approve () Disapprove
Date

Comments: _____
