

SOLE SOURCE REQUEST AND DETERMINATION FORM

This form must be forwarded to the Accounts Coordinator for the Santa Fe Solid Waste Management Agency (SFSWMA) for processing.

Date: 2/1/2021

Prepared By: Danita S. Boettner

Title: Landfill Manager

Vendor Name: Bandit Industries

Address: 6750 Millbrook Road

City: Remus

State: MI

Zip Code: 49340

Estimated Cost: \$90,000

Term of Contract: One year from the date of award.

Description of Good/Service to be Procured:

1. Explain why this is the only available source that can meet the needs of your department.

In 2003, the SFSWMA's Joint Powers Board approved the purchase of the 3680 Beast from Bandit Industries, Inc. for the green waste program (mulching operation) at the Caja del Rio Landfill (GSA Contract No. GS-30F-0015J). In 2006 the SFSWMA moved the green waste program to the Buckman Road Recycling and Transfer Station (BuRRT). Bandit Industries is the manufacturer of Beast wood grinders. Bandit is the sole source of parts and technical support. Bandit also provides labor for diagnostic, repair, and replacement of parts for ongoing maintenance of the Beast wood grinder machine.

2. Explain why this vendor is the only available source from which to obtain this product of service.

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The company has affirmed (memo from vendor is attached) that there is no other source for this item. Our search for possible vendors proved unsuccessful; or

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Other reason, please explain in full. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.

3. Explain why the price is considered fair and reasonable.


In 2003, the 3680 Beast horizontal wood grinder located at the Buckman Road Recycling and Transfer Station (BuRRT) under GSA Contract No. GS-30F-0015J from Bandit Industries, Inc. The Beast contains proprietary knowledge and manufacturing techniques for several parts. Most parts are equipment specific. By accessing directly with Bandit Industries, the SFSWMA gain access to the extensive knowledge (technical assistance) of the specified equipment, including the necessary specifications to fabricate replacement parts, minimized labor, and efficient service. The use of other manufacturers of these types of equipment would likely be incompatible and would, therefore, require more extensive modification than necessary to repair the equipment; thus the probable cost of maintenance and repair of the Beast by other vendors is likely to be higher. Therefore, the use of Bandit Industries for parts, labor, service and technical support will minimize the costs for maintenance and repair of the Beast.

4. Describe the efforts made to obtain the best possible price from this sole source vendor for the taxpayers. What (if any) is the total cost savings from the original quote? (Attach additional sheets, if necessary.)

The SFSWMA finds Bandit Industries to have the best possible price for their technical support, service, labor, and timeliness of parts delivery due to the manufacturing of parts and holding several patents. There are no vendors or providers in New Mexico that can provide the necessary Bandit and Beast parts, labor, and service for the Beast horizontal wood grinder at BuRRT.

Approvals:

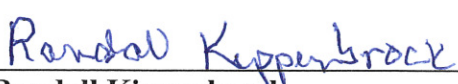
Based on the above facts, the Accounts Coordinator for the SFSWMA has made the determination that the justification for the Sole Source procurement is in accordance with Section 13-1-126, NMSA 1978 and will be posted for a 30-day period prior to award.



Emily Pisula
Accounts Coordinator

1/28/2021

Date



Randall Kippenbrock
SFSWMA Executive Director

1/28/21

Date

Pursuant to Section 13-1-126, NMSA 1978, the 30-day posting period of the Notice of Intent to Award this Sole Source request was met and no obligation to the award to the above referenced contractor were received. This Sole Source determination will be valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of the award.

Fran Dunaway
Purchasing Officer
City of Santa Fe - SFSWMA Fiscal Agent

Date

Randall Kippenbrock
SFSWMA Executive Director

Date

Joint Powers Board Chairperson

Required Attachments:

- *Letter from Contractor, if applicable
- *Agenda Item to be presented to Joint Powers Board if over \$60,000 for Professional Services and \$60,000 for Goods and Non-Professional Services



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January 11, 2021

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Re: Sole source vendor statement

Bandit Industries Inc. and Smoracy LLC have merged with Bandit industries Inc. being the surviving company. Bandit Industries has acquired all existing patents held by Smoracy through the merger. Through these patents and other patents held by Bandit we have proprietary knowledge and manufacturing techniques which make us the sole source for several parts we manufacture and sell in relation to the manufacture, service, and on-going maintenance of Bandit and Beast equipment. Therefore, there are no other vendors or providers that can supply necessary Bandit and Beast parts, labor and service in New Mexico.

Thank you and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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