

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

CONTRACT NO: CW32350
CAPTION: Warranty and Maintenance for Refuse Grapplers
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Northshore Manufacturing, Inc.
PROGRAM AGENCY: Department of Public Works

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304, 1700 and 1701

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Department of Public Works (DPW) has six existing grapplers which were all manufactured by Northshore Manufacturing. DPW requires a contractor to provide maintenance for the six grapplers. The contractor must be an authorized service dealer to provide the required services, so to not void any warranties on the equipment.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

The estimated price is \$70,000.00 based on historical spending.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

- A. All of the existing grapplers were manufactured by Northshore Manufacturing.
- B. The existing grapplers were specifically designed for the District and were procured through a competitive procurement process as part of the rehabilitation of the transfer stations.
- C. Market research was conducted by viewing the list of authorized sales/service dealers for the DC region. One vendor, Special Fleet Service, Inc., was listed. However, Northshore Manufacturing has indicated in the attached letter that it is the only contractor that can extend the warranty and maintain the existing grapplers.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

Date

William O. Howland, Jr.
Director, DPW

6. CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER:

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 1304 and that no response was received. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

Date

Gena Johnson
Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Date

James D. Staton, Jr.
Chief Procurement Officer