Donald J. Lee, Jr.





Key West

POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO:

Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager

FROM:

Donald J. Lee Jr., Chief of Police

DATE:

December 4th, 2014

RE:

TASER Conducted Electrical Weapon Purchase

Pursuant to purchasing Code 2-844 relating to Brand Name Specifications, "Since use of a brand name specification is restrictive of product competition, it may be used only when the purchasing agent makes a written determination that only the identified brand name item will satisfy the City's needs."

Additionally, "The Purchasing Agent shall seek to identify sources from which the designated brand name item can be obtained and shall solicit such sources to achieve whatever degree of price competition is practicable. If only one source can supply the requirement, the procurement shall be made under the sole source procurement provisions of section 2-797(1).

In this case the TASER brand of Conducted Electrical Weapons (CEW'S) have again been chosen as the next generation of less-lethal conducted electrical weapons to be used by the Key West Police Department. The initial selection of this brand was made in 2009 after field testing of the TASER and Stinger CEW systems. 91 TASER X26E's and TASER CAMS were previously purchased by the Police Department in 2009. While these units continue to meet or exceed the requirements of Conducted Electrical Weapons for the Key West Police Department, they have exceeded their useful service life and must be replaced with the upgraded and current technology of the X26P and TASER CAM HD.

TASER International is the manufacturer and sole distributor/provider of the X26P TASER and TASER CAM HD products to be purchased by the Key West Police Department.

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Purchasing Agent

Approved, Sarah Spurlock

Asst. City Manager

12/3/14 Date



