Donald J. Lee. Jr.

Chief of Police



Key West POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO:

Bob Vitas, City Manager

FROM:

Donald J. Lee Jr., Chief of Police

DATE:

September 12th, 2012

RE:

COBAN "Edge" In-car video recording system

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 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 COBAN brand of in-car video systems has been chosen as the next generation of in-car video systems to be used by the Key West Police Department Patrol Division. This selection was made after a several month long field test of the COBAN and Panasonic systems and consultation with the IT department. The system currently in use, ICOP was recently purchased by Safety Vision after going bankrupt. At this time, Safety Vision has no plans for introducing a new product or updating the existing units.

COBAN is the manufacturer and sole distributor of their products and of the "Edge" in-car video recording system to, be purchased by the Key West Police Department. They are the sole-source of their products.

Approved, Roger Wittenberg

Finance Director

Mark Finigan, Asst. Vity Manager

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