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## Key West POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager

FROM: Donald J. Lee Jr., Chief of Police

DATE: May 31st, 2016

RE: I FORCE Police Patrol Bicycles

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."

In this case the I FORCE Police Patrol Bicycle has been chosen as the police patrol bicycle best suited to meet the needs and support the mission of the KWPD Bicycle Unit. This Police Bicycle has features and superior components not available from the other two brands of bicycles, TREK, which is foreign built, and Volcanic, considered for purchase. This selection was made after the department's evaluation of the three manufacturer's product. I FORCE is the only bicycle completely made and assembled in the United States. It is hand built, has proprietary tubing that is hand welded to maintain quality and consistency. The integral lighting and battery system, siren system, silent hub technology and thumb mounted controls are unique to this bicycle and are pallet shipped requiring minimal assembly when it arrives.

Additionally, 2-797(1)(b) states: "The purchasing agent verifies that, after conducting a good faith review of available sources, there is only one source for the commodity or contractual service". If only one source can supply the requirement, the purchase shall be made under the sole source procurement provisions of this section.

After a good faith review of available sources, I FORCE Patrol Bicycles is the manufacturer and sole source distributor of their Police Patrol Bicycles.

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