



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES  
**DIVISION OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES**  
 STATE OF MAINE

## PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Division of Procurement Services.

*INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the requested information in the white spaces below. All responses (except signatures) must be typed; no hand-written forms will be accepted. See the guidance document posted with this form on the Division of Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.*

PART I: OVERVIEW			
Department Office/Division/Program:		Department of Public Safety, Maine State Police	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Thomas Pickering Starla Dorval	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 1,505,732.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	CT 16A 20230330*2518
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	<b>6/1/2023</b>	Proposed End Date: <b>8/31/2027</b>
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:		New End Date:
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		Axon 17800 N 85 <sup>th</sup> Street Scottsdale, Arizona 85255	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Taser 7 purchase	

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION			
Check the box below for the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	A. Competitive Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	G. Grant
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	H. State Statute/Agency Directed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>	I. Federal Agency Directed
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	<input type="checkbox"/>	J. Willing and Qualified
<input type="checkbox"/>	E. Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	K. Client Choice
<input type="checkbox"/>	F. University Cooperative Project	<input type="checkbox"/>	L. Other Authorization

Please respond to ALL of the questions in the following sections.

### PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

A Taser is a critical device for Troopers to control an incident with the least possible force. It is a less lethal option than a gun and can be a life saving tool.

The X26P Tasers were last purchased in 2018 in a sole source agreement between the Maine State Police and Axon. Today, these Tasers are at the end of life.

The replacement timeline is critical as:

- The warranty on all current X26P Tasers expired on October 30, 2022, and there is no current support offered if they fail.
- In 2023, Axon will be phasing out the Taser X26P model and moving to the Taser 7 model.

The Maine State Police currently has (21) twenty-one X26P Tasers in storage. Those Tasers will be issued in January 2023 to outfit the number of new hires attending the 43<sup>RD</sup> Basic Law Enforcement Training Program, 77<sup>th</sup> Maine State Police Recruit Training Troop and the Maine State Police Certified Officers Program.

We are in danger of not having Tasers for Officers.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.

There is currently a trusted relationship between the Maine State Police and the industry partner Axon that was signed in 2018. Axon is the only vendor that provides curriculum for our end user training and annual refresher training.

Additionally, Axon is the only industry partner that provides legal counsel during civil litigation when the device is used following current training protocols and our department policy M-1 governing the use of force by law enforcement.

We have used Axon Tasers for many years and the Tasers are reliable. Axon says they can deliver in 8 weeks from order date.

3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

The final contract price was based on purchasing (300) three hundred Taser 7's to outfit current members of the Maine State Police. The price includes a bundle agreement for items to include, but not limited to, Taser 7's, close quarter and standoff training cartridges, close quarter and standoff live cartridges, Hook and Loop training (Halt) suits, docking stations, batteries, training registration fees for certified instructor courses, Taser evidence access license, warranty and service agreement until 12-31-2027.

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

The Maine State Police will continue to be open to new vendor products and technology as it becomes available. Currently, Axon is the only vendor that meets our current product and legal needs.

### PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)

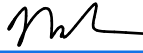

Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?

Yes – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).

No – If No, proceed to Part V.

### PART V: APPROVALS

The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	 <a href="#">Michael Sauschuck (Jun 23, 2023 12:05 EDT)</a>		
Typed Name:	Michael Sauschuck	Date:	Jun 23, 2023
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	<small>DocuSigned by:</small>  <small>2A644AF5681F482...</small>		
Typed Name:	David Morris	Date:	1/8/2024






# PJF Axon Tasers

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