



## 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:		Dept. Marine Resources, Marine Patrol		
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Robert Beal / Amanda Webb		
(If applicable) Department Reference #:		N/A		
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ \$7,125.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	13A	2023020600000000959
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	2/2/2023	Proposed End Date:	3/22/2023
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:		American Casting & Mfg Corp. Plainview, NY 11803		
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Security seals for the export of elver eels.		

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

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.

**PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

The security seals are required by DMR regulation Chapter 32.43 to export elver eels outside the State of Maine. The absence of the security seals is prima facie evidence the container of elvers is illegal and subject to seizure.

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

The vendor was originally identified in March of 2019 as the exclusive vendor having the capability to produce both, the quantity necessary and the tamper resistant, export seals. The unique seals have a sequential serial number that has been retained in Marine Patrol's record management system since spring of 2019.

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

Historically, the type and quantity of security seals we purchase through American Casting and Manufacturing Corporation has not been available from other vendors.

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

Typically, DMR's order of elver export security seals has been less than \$5,000. This year's purchase exceeds \$5,000 because we are seeing an increased number of boxes being packed with elvers which are required to be sealed for export. Elver season is set by statute requiring all elvers to be exported by a specific date. In the event the volume of sealed boxes increases, and without the increased quantity of security seals on hand, DMR licensed elver export license holders would have no way to facilitate exports as the manufacturing and shipping timeframe is currently estimated to be six weeks. A small percentage of Maine's elver quota remains in the state as part of an aquaculture program, the majority are exported from Maine dealers to Asia.

**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):



Typed Name:

Matt Talbot, Marine Patrol Colonel

Date:

Feb 7, 2023

Signature of DAFS  
Procurement Official:

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Date:

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# American Casting PFJ

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