



PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$10,000 submitted to the Office of State 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 Procurement Services intranet site (Forms page) for additional instructions.

PART I: OVERVIEW

Department Office/Division/Program:		Maine DOT/M&O/Bridge Maintenance	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Shawn Brann, Public Service Manager II	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Agency Department Code:	17A	Advantage CT / RQS #:	20260401000000001549
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$150,000.00		
CONTRACT	Proposed/Original Start Date:	3/18/2026	Proposed/Most Recent End Date:
AMENDMENT	New Effective Date:		New End Date (if Applicable):
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		Watson Bowman Acme VC1000095467 95 Pineview Drive Amherst, NY 14228	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Watson Bowman Acme Gland Seals for Bridge Joints	

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. Higher Education 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.

We have multiple bridges in the State of Maine that have Watson Bowman Acme Joint steel in service. These brand specific joint steels require brand specific joint gland seals that only Watson Bowman Acme can provide. The purpose of this sole source procurement is so we can purchase gland seals and installation products in case of seal failure on an as they come up basis and crew work plan needs. This would be ideal for the bridge preservation initiative we are moving forward with.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the solicitation (RFP/RFA/RFQ) number if applicable.

Watson Bowman Acme manufactures their own type of bridge joint steel for bridge joint systems. We have several of these joint systems in service statewide. The bridge joint steel members only accept Watson Bowman Acme manufactured gland seals.

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

We have reviewed the prices given and they have determined to be on par with what we have paid for them in the past. Given the cost of inflation.

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

We have been trying to reach other vendors to put in place other sole source contracts for their type of gland seals that are unique to their joint systems. We have also filled out PJF forms for starting a bid process MA for other types of bridge joint seals we commonly use.

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

Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?

- Yes, MJRP funds (023) – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).
- Yes, ARPA funds (025) or (026) – If Yes, please be aware of the requirements from awarding federal agencies.
- No – If No, proceed to Part V.

PART V: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI); CONTRACT WITH THE STATE

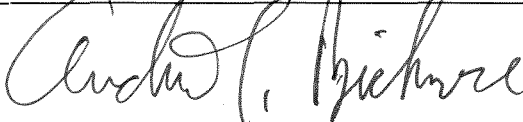
Maine law contains Conflict of Interest statutes directed to State Departments, State Officers, and Employees Generally under MRS Title 5, §18 and §18-A, in harmony with MRS Title 17, §3104.

- The requesting department's signatory affirms, understands, and acknowledges Maine's Conflict of Interest statutes and, in accordance with those statutes and to the best of their knowledge, has determined that no conflict of interest exists at the time of this contract, renewal, or amendment.

PART VI: APPROVALS

Governor/Department Commissioner or Designee

1. The signature below indicates approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):			
Typed Name:		Date:	4/1/2026

2. Additional signature required **ONLY if box E (Emergency) is selected in PART II**. The signature below indicates approval by the Department's Commissioner, or the designee specifically authorized to approve emergency procurement requests.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):			
Typed Name:		Date:	

****OSPS Section Only****

Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <small>Signed by:</small> Sterling Doiron <small>4C537C52B586437...</small> </div>		
Typed Name:	Sterling Doiron	Date:	4/27/2026

Certificate Of Completion

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