

## State of Maine Procurement Justification Form

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 website (Forms page) for additional instructions.

PART I: OVERVIEW			
Department Office/Division/Program:		Corrections, Central Office	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Scott Goulette	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 6,540	Advantage CT / RQS #:	CT 03A 20130515-3854
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:		Proposed End Date:
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:	May 15, 2013	Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:	June 30, 2021	New End Date:
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		Bi2 Technologies Plymouth, Massachusetts	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Iris Biometric Identification Technology and Services	

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

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
Please respond to ALL of the following:
<b>1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.</b>

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### PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

The Department is seeking an extension to the original contract which terminates on June 30, 2021. The IRIS biometric system has proven to be a valuable security tool for the Department. Elimination of this service would present a risk to Department security staff in their efforts to accurately identify inmates upon intake and release.

**2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II.**

The incumbent vendor has developed and maintains the only national, web-based iris biometric network and database. No other organization, public or private, has developed or implemented this capability. Until other competitors emerge onto the national scene, the Department will be seeking a waiver of competitive bid to continue using this provider's unrivaled service.

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

Last year the Department negotiated a cost which was 20% less than the previous year for the identical number of licenses and service. Said cost is held steady for this renewal term which the Department considers to be fair and reasonable.

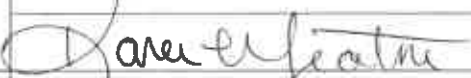
**4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.**

Until other competitors emerge onto the national scene, the Department will be seeking a waiver of competitive bid to continue using this provider's unique and unrivaled service.

### PART IV: APPROVALS

**Signature of requesting  
Department's Commissioner  
(or designee):**

*By signing below, I signify that I approve of this procurement request.*



**Printed Name:**

KAREN YEATON

**Date:**

5/26/2021

**Signature of DAFS  
Procurement Official:**

*DocuSigned by:  
William J.E. Allen*

**Printed Name:**

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William J.E. Allen

**Date:**

6/1/2021

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