

# 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:		Public Safety – Maine State Police	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Lt Bruce Scott Jaye Parker	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 64,797	Advantage CT / RQS #:	RQS-16A-20210607*1154
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	<b>6/7/2021</b>	Proposed End Date: 6/21/2021
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:		Hunting Evolution LLC, Law Enforcement Division Gray ME	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		V3XM 3X Magnifier Optics	

## PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION

Mark an "X" before the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A. Competitive Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	G. Grant
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	H. State Statute/Agency Directed
<input 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 checked="" 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

Please respond to ALL of the following:

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

**The Maine State Police has identified a vision problem occurring with our current rifle aiming/spotting system that can be solved with the addition of a Vortex 3X magnifier. All law enforcement officers in Maine must qualify annually with their firearms in order to maintain their certification. Any failure is cause for immediate removal from service until such time that the officer can pass their qualification. In recent years we have observed our troopers spending more time at the range while struggling to pass their annual rifle qualifications, particularly those with less than perfect eyesight. While all troopers are**

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currently qualified with their rifles, they readily admit that they cannot properly identify the object or threat as the distance increases beyond 50 yards and that their overall shooting scores have decreased. At a time when law enforcement is under tremendous scrutiny, we must take any and all reasonable steps to help ensure that our Troopers can properly identify a threat and then respond accordingly. Our AR rifles have an effective range of 400 to 600 yards, yet most can't accurately identify their target or threat at 100 yards. While we require our Troopers to qualify at 100 yards, some of them would not dare to take a shot at that distance in real life when it really counts because some can't see any detail at that distance and are not able to properly identify the target/threat. Our officers or a third party could get gunned down by someone without the officer even being able to identify a weapon in the gunman's hands.

At the rifle range last week I was made aware of this device (a magnifier) and couldn't believe the improvement it made in my ability to quickly and accurately see a target and identify a threat at 100 yards. Sgt. Jon Leach, our lead firearms instructor, explained the growing problem he was seeing and hearing during rifle qualifications of officers within and outside of our agency that were struggling to qualify and getting lower shooting scores. With this information and a sensible solution at our fingertips we believe it is incumbent upon us as an agency to acquire these new magnifiers immediately and not wait until the new fiscal year. Waiting until after July 1<sup>st</sup> will create many concerns; first any day can be the worst day of an officer's life and this tool can make the difference between life or death for them, another officer, a civilian or bystander. Also, we received a quote that is \$210.00 per unit cheaper than the MSRP that expires on the 21<sup>st</sup> of this month. This is an overall savings \$56,700 if we take advantage of this exceptionally low quote.

By making this purchase we will be able to acquire 270 of these rifle accessories and put them in the hands of all of our front-line troopers. The safety of our officers and the public we serve is paramount!

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

Sgt. Jon Leach researched this product and found the three lowest prices. MSRP \$449.99

Cabela's \$299.99

Optic Planet \$299.99

**Hunting Evolution LLC \$239.99**

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

Chose least expensive vendor.

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

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One-time purchase. Any future purchases for this product will be obtained through a competitive bid process that meets current purchasing guidelines.

## PART IV: APPROVALS

<b>Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):</b>	<i>By signing below, I signify that I approve of this procurement request.</i>		
	<i>Michael Sauschuck</i>		
<b>Printed Name:</b>	Michael Sauschuck	<b>Date:</b>	Jun 7, 2021
<b>Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:</b>	<small>DocuSigned by:</small> <i>Sue H. Garcia</i>		
<b>Printed Name:</b>	<small>E5DB92AC0F8D490...</small> Sue H. Garcia	<b>Date:</b>	6/8/2021

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# Emergency Optic Magnifier PJJ

Final Audit Report

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