



## 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 Marine Resources	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Matthew Davis	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount (Contract/Amendment/Grant):	\$ 7,500	Advantage CT / RQS #:	13A 2022072700000000300
<b>CONTRACT</b>	Proposed Start Date:	8/15/2022	Proposed End Date: 8/14/2023
<b>AMENDMENT</b>	Original Start Date:		Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:		New End Date:
<b>GRANT</b>	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		Pete Speeches	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Administer fishing effort for offshore wind highly migratory species project	

### 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.

The purpose of this contract is to administer vessel services for fishing efforts as part of the highly migratory species monitoring project in the offshore wind research array. The data provided by this fishing effort will be used to determine the effects of offshore wind equipment on marine animals who navigate large swaths of habitat in the Gulf of Maine using electroreception.

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

The Department of Marine Resources has no previous experience with tagging highly migratory species in the Gulf of Maine. As such, this new collaborative work requires partnership with highly experienced fishermen who have handled such species as shark and large tunas. Pete Speeches has done previous work with these larger fish species in cooperation with researchers here in Maine and comes highly recommended by our project partner at University of Maine.

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

The costs for rendered services are largely to offset the cost of fuel needed for offshore fishing, as well as to compensate for their time and fishing/handling expertise.

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

Collaborative research is essential to fisheries and ecosystem monitoring, which is further enhanced by stakeholder participation and consideration of the experimental knowledge represented by fishermen. Future competition may be promoted through competitive RFP's, with heavy consideration into their experience handling highly migratory species in a science setting.

**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)

  
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Carl Wilson, Director of Marine Sciences

Date

Aug 10, 2022

Signature of DAFS Procurement Official

  
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Martha Verhille

Date

8/15/2022






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