



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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry		
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:	Jennifer Wright		
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 11,947.49	RQS #:01A	20240730000000000138
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	8/1/2024	Proposed End Date: 6/30/2025
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:	Helifire, LLC dba Field Support Services		
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:	Repair 180 Gallong Bambi Bucket for firefighting		

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 checked="" 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.

One of our 180 gallon Bambi Bucket used for dropping water on forest fires has a spit seem up the entire side of the bucket and needs to be replaced. The vendor will remanufacture the bucket using the original power head and controls, while replacing the cables and heavy vinyl bucket material.

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

We have used this vendor in the past for rebuilding buckets. In this case, we had to send the bucket to them so they could decide if the unit could be repaired or needed to be rebuilt. A repair is not possible. It doesn't make sense to send the unit to another vendor to get another quote. We need to get this bucket back soon, because it leaves us with no spare for the 407 helicopters going into the fall fire season.

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

The costs of the individual parts in the quote are in line with what we have seen when we have had to order parts for other repairs. The cost of this rebuild, is \$7,000.00 less than the cost of a new bucket.

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

The Forest Protection Division routinely compares prices within the industry. We also have the opportunity to purchase many parts through a master agreement, and we use the MA often, however, since we rarely need this type of overhaul work done on our buckets, there is no need to have a master agreement with this company.

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) – 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

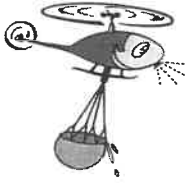
Maine law contains Conflict of Interest statutes directed to State Departments, State Officers, and Employees Generally under MRS [Title 5, §18](#) and [§18-A](#), in harmony with MRS [Title 17, §3104](#).

The requesting department signatory understands and acknowledges Maine's Conflict of Interest statutes.

PART VI: APPROVALS

The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):	DocuSigned by: <i>Amanda E. Beal</i> 20AF3A2882BB4AA...		
Typed Name:	Amanda E. Beal, Commissioner	Date:	8/7/2024
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	DocuSigned by: <i>Sherri Brooker</i> BE7E88805EFD419...		
Typed Name:	Sherri Brooker	Date:	8/13/2024



Helifire, LLC dba Field Support Services

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 Atlanta, GA 30360
 (770) 454-1130
 sales@helifire.com
 FEID: 87-3914313

Quote

Date	Quote #
6/20/2024	1653

Bill To
Maine Forestry Attn: Chris Blackie PO Box 415 Old Town ME 04468

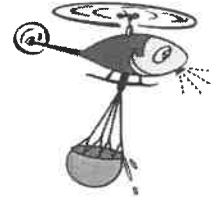
Ship To
Maine Forestry Attn: Chris Blackie 87 Airport Road Old Town ME 04468

Terms
Credit Card

Item Number	Description	Qty	Rate	Total
005779	BB - Shell Assembly; 1518	1	8,173.46	8,173.46
015076	BB - Serial Number Plate; SN3191	1	53.77	53.77
013654	BB - Spec-Plate; 1518	1	33.34	33.34
013056	BB - Tripline, Flex; 8096-1821	1	228.28	228.28
010897	BB - Deployment Cable; 1518-1821	1	85.67	85.67
006096-1	BB - Riser cable (Cable Only); 6072-1821	1	30.00	30.00
005545	BB - Suspension Cable, Pair; 8096-1821	4	92.85	371.40
004057	BB - Connector Link (SM)	8	11.04	88.32
005342	BB - Spoke (17-1/2"); 1518-1821	8	36.54	292.32
010916	BB - IDS Restraint Cable; 1518-1821	2	66.43	132.86
004903	BB - Carry Bag; 1214-1821	1	512.45	512.45
MSHW-B	Bambi Repair; Assorted SS Hardware	1	45.38	45.38
BB-Labor	Shop Labor Hours for BB1518 - SN3191	23	75.00	1,725.00
RSC	Return Shipping Container forBB1518 - SN3191	1	25.00	25.00
UPS-G	UPS Ground; Prepaid Transportation Charges UPS Tracking Information: XXXX	1	150.24	150.24
	Cost of a new 1518 Bambi Bucket: \$19,083			

			Sales Tax (0.0%)	\$0.00
			Total	\$11,947.49

BAMBI BUCKET CONDITION REPORT



MODEL #	BB1518
SERIAL #	3191

CONTROL HEAD, YOKE, SUSPENSION POINTS, AND WIRING

Control Head is in good condition, there is no evidence of damage from the drop, no cracked or bent parts. Data plate is readable, it will not be removed, though spec plate and SN plate will need to be attached to the new shell.

General Condition	Data Plate	Yoke	Suspension Points
✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable

CONTROL HEAD COMPONENTS

All Control Head components and parts are in serviceable condition. It does require disassembly and cleaning.

Solenoid	Electrical	Linkage	Catch	Main Spring	Trip Block
✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable

CABLES: DEPLOYMENT, IDS, SUSPENSION, TRIPLINE, ETC.

All cables are galvanized. Most thimbles are mangled. Suspension has several kinks throughout the 4 cables. Deployment cable and IDS Restraint cables have rusted thimbles. Tripline is kinked as well as frayed.

Suspension	Deployment	IDS Restraint	Riser	Valve Restraint	Ring/Pulley
✗ Replace	✗ Replace	✗ Replace	✗ Replace	⊖ N/A	✓ Serviceable

Tripline
✗ Replace

IDS ASSEMBLY

The IDS Hub is in serviceable condition. There are no visual cracks or bends to the spoke attachment points. The spokes are very worn, the pin holes are severally wallowed out causing very loose fitment. New spoke hardware is necessary to replace bent pins.

Hub (<i>Cast</i>)	Spokes (<i>Solid</i>)	Spoke Brackets
✓ Serviceable	✗ Replace	✗ Replace

SHELL ASSEMBLY

Shell is split in two places from top to bottom. M-straps are serviceable. The upper webbing is frayed and unstitched. Battens may be compromised from the drop, no obvious signs of a break. Cinch strap is fraying.

Shell	M-Straps	Webbing	Ballast	Battens	Cinch Strap
✗ Replace	✓ Serviceable	✗ Replace	✓ Serviceable	⚠ Attention	✗ Replace

Cinch Brackets	Chain	Chain Prot.
⚠ Attention	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable


VALVE ASSEMBLY

Valve Assembly is in good condition. Can be removed and returned to customer as a spare.

Valve Body	Upper Seal	Lower Seal	Purse Strings	Attachment
✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable	✓ Serviceable

ACCESSORIES

Carry Bag zipper is broken off and bottom of the bag has a few holes. Bucket was shipping in plastic wrap; bucket will return ship inside large box.

Carry Bag	Firesock	Sacksafoam	Shipping Container
✗ Replace	⊖ N/A	⊖ N/A	 Return in Box

INSPECTOR	APPROVED BY
Justin M	Chris Y
INSPECTION DATE	APPROVAL DATE
6/19/2024	6/28/2024
QUOTE NUMBER	REFERENCE NUMBER
Q-1653.	Click or tap here to enter text.

CUSTOMER DETAILS

Pickled/Dropped Bucket

POINT OF CONTACT

COMPANY NAME	Maine Forest Service
POINT OF CONTACT	Chris Blackie
PHONE NUMBER	207-404-1107
EMAIL	chris.blackie@maine.gov

BILL TO ADDRESS

✓ Confirmed

SHIP TO ADDRESS

✓ Confirmed

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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