



## 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:	Maine Public Utilities Commission		
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:	Harry Lanphear		
(If applicable) Department Reference #:	Click or tap here to enter text.		
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 20,000	Advantage CT / RQS #:	65A 2020727*0286
<b>CONTRACT</b>	Proposed Start Date:		Proposed End Date:
<b>AMENDMENT</b>	Original Start Date:	<b>8/1/2020</b>	Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:	<b>7/31/2023</b>	New End Date:
<b>GRANT</b>	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:	NuHarbor Security		
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:	Vendor provides cyber security consulting services related to Maine's largest utilities.		

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 checked="" 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 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.

Cyber security expert consulting services to assist the Commission in reviewing cyber security plans for Maine's largest public utilities.

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

NuHarbour Security was awarded a contract for these type of services via RFP# 201412894, issued by the Maine Revenue Services. As stated in that RFP, the Division of Purchases (now Procurement Services) reserves the right to authorize other Departments to use the resulting contract from that RFP if it is in the best interest of the State. That authorization was given to PUC for these services.

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

We are using the same hourly rates from the contract and related RFP referenced above.

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

The Commission would likely bid future services.

**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):

Typed Name: Harry Lanphear

Date: 9/6/2023

Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:

DocuSigned by:  
*Kathy Paquette*

Typed Name: Kathy Paquette

Date: 9/22/2023