## SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE JUSTIFICATION FORM

Date: 2/25/2019 Department: Police

**Policy:** Sole Source purchases are exempted from bidding requirements as stated in Section 252 of the Local Government Code. State law clarifies sole source as follows:

- 1. items that are available from only one source because of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or natural monopolies;
- 2. films, manuscripts, or books;
- 3. gas, water, and other utility services;
- 4. captive replacement parts or components for equipment;
- 5. books, papers, and other library materials for a public library that are available only from the persons holding exclusive distribution rights to the materials;

## Service/Commodity to be Purchased:

Priority Dispatch ProQA License and Software

## Identify the need and planned use for the commodity/service.

The MPDS ProQA software is a decision support system that provides the EMD with an advanced caller-interrogation script; raises and nearly guarantees EMD compliance to protocol; time-stamps protocol activation; provides online pre-arrival and post-dispatch instructions; and provides quicker and more appropriate response and referral recommendations. Data gathered throughout the interrogation process is analyzed and output from ProQA to create EMD comparative histories. This data permits a comparison of interrogation process-times between operators; "Determinant Code" histories permit frequency analysis of caller chief complaints by time of day, day of week, month or against all recorded cases; or, data can be exported to other databases for further analysis. No there'd software product uses a "logic" system that analyzes responses to each of the questions presented by the EMD and produces recommend response determinant.

## What is unique about this commodity/service? Why is this necessary to meet your department's goals?

The Medical Priority Dispatch System is the most advanced medically managed EMD system available today. Its installation and consistent use ensures each 911 caller will receive a professional and complete assessment, resulting an optimal system response. No other EMD program (training and algorithm/protocol) offers a comparable systems approach to the delivery of EMD. No other EMD program offers the strength and backing of the National Academy of EMD, with more than 27,000 members and 2,300 agencies. No other EMD program can offer the connectivity and safety that will be necessary to effectively work within future managed care environments.

Are there competing products? If there are why will they not work? Please be very specific and identify all research into the subject. Please note if there are competing products there must be a very clear reason why they will not work to justify sole source.

NO

**Department Director** 

**Purchasing Manager** 

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