



**STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D**

State Procurement Office
Received: 10/15/2021

TO: Chief Procurement Officer

FROM: DAGS/SPO
Name of Requesting Department

Pursuant to HRS § 103D-102(b)(4) and HAR chapter 3-120, the Department requests a procurement exemption for the following:

1. Describe the goods and/or services: Out-of-state air and hotel accommodations, intra-state hotel accommodations. Does not include hotels at which the conference is being held.

2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider: various	3. Amount of Request: \$ 4.5 million
4. Term of Contract From: 1/1/2022 To: 12/31/2022	5. Prior SPO-007, Procurement Exemption (PE): PE21-023J

6. Explain in detail, why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the department to procure by competitive means: The current market conditions are volatile and rates fluctuate continuously. There is no advantage to the State to consolidate the executive branch's requirements for out-of-state air and hotel accommodations and intra-state hotel into a competitive sealed bid or proposal, as requirements vary. Reservations can be made through various sources such as internet, direct with airlines or hotel, on-line travel providers/agencies, and traditional travel agencies who can offer competitive rates on an as need basis. Agencies can take advantage of any air and/or hotel specials or web rates that is most economical. Agencies may also use NASPO ValuePoint contracts, as applicable.
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7. Explain in detail, the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the vendor/contractor/service provider: SPO issued Travel Procedures, through Procurement Circular 2007-03, and amendments 1-4. Agencies are required to complete the travel worksheets, which requires employees to obtain minimum quotes from different sources as directed on the procedures and worksheets. Vendor is selected based on the most economical rates, unless otherwise justified.

8. Identify the primary responsible staff person(s) conducting and managing this procurement. (Appropriate delegated procurement authority and completion of mandatory training required).

*Point of contact (Place asterisk after name of person to contact for additional information).

Name	Division/Agency	Phone Number	e-mail address
Shannon Ota	SPO	586-0563	shannon.j.ota@hawaii.gov

All requirements/approvals and internal controls for this expenditure is the responsibility of the department. I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.



10/15/21

Department Head Signature

Date

For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only

Date Notice Posted: 10/18/2021

Inquiries about this request shall be directed to the contact named in No. 8. Submit written objection to this notice to issue an exempt contract within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from date notice posted to:

state.procurement.office@hawaii.gov

Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Comments:

Approval is granted for the period 1/1/2022 to 12/31/2022 and is for the solicitation process only. Departments are required to complete the applicable SPO Travel Worksheet in accordance with Procurement Circular Nos. 2007-03, and amendments 1-4 as well as Procurement Circular No. 2021-03 on Intra-State and Out-of-State TRAVEL PROCEDURES. Internal controls, requirements, and approvals are the responsibility of the department and traveler.

The award is required to be posted on the Hawaii Awards and Notices Data System (HANDS) pursuant to Procurement Circular PC2019-05. The department is also reminded awards are required to be posted within seven (7) calendar days after the Notice of Award Date.

If there are any questions, please contact Stacey Kauleinamoku at 586-0571, or stacey.l.kauleinamoku@hawaii.gov.

Approved

Disapproved

No Action Required



10/25/2021

Chief Procurement Officer Signature

Date