



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

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TO: Chief Procurement Officer
FROM: Department of Business, Economic Department & Tourism
Name of Requesting Department

ADMINISTRATION
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
STATE OF HAWAII

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, services or construction:
A spaceport application will be prepared and provided to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Office of Commercial Space Transportation (AST) to license the Kona International Airport as a spaceport to support commercial horizontal Reusable Launch Vehicles (RLV). The license application will follow the procedures outlined in 14 CFR Part 413 and be based on guidance provided in 14 CFR Part 420 "License to Operate a Launch Site."

2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider:	Reynolds, Smith & Hills, Inc. (RS&H)	3. Amount of Request:	\$ 80,000.00
4. Term of Contract From:	6/1/2015	To:	5/31/2016
		5. Prior SPO-007, Procurement Exemption (PE):	NA

6. Explain in detail, why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the department to procure by competitive means:
A spaceport application is subject to a preapplication consultation with the FAA, preparation of a Launch Site Operators License Application document and coordination with the FAA Office of Commercial Space Transportation after it has been screened and determined to be complete for a review which may take up to 180 days. RS&H as contractor for Hawaii's Environmental Assessment and Other Feasibility Analyses for space transportation infrastructure has compiled information and data in the evaluation of the site, business case, preliminary environmental analysis, NEPA documentation, including a risk analysis and an explosive site plan that would be required to complete an application with the FAA. I obtained several referrals from the FAA, but finding a firm within our budget of \$80,000 is negligible and extremely remote since the cost for spaceport licensing can range from \$330,000 to \$3,000,000, which would not be practicable or advantageous for the department to procure by competitive means.

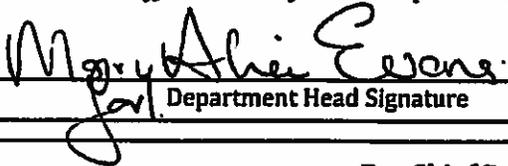
7. Explain in detail, the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the vendor/contractor/service provider:
RS&H as contractor for space transportation infrastructure in Hawaii has successfully licensed a horizontal spaceport (similar to the proposed spaceport in Kona) that utilizes both airport infrastructure and an operating area over water and is currently the consultant preparing license applications for two additional spaceports that utilize operating areas of the water, these include the proposed Houston Spaceport at Ellington Airport in Texas, and the Titusville Spaceport at Space Coast Regional Airport in Florida. The information and data compiled by RS&H within the aforementioned contract would be prohibitively beyond the scope of our budget of \$80,000 to complete.

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
Jeffrey Pang	OAD	586-2399	jpang@dbedt.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.


 Department Head Signature

4-23-15
 Date

For Chief Procurement Officer Use Only

Date Notice Posted: 04/21/2015

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 6/1/2015 to 5/31/2016, and is for the solicitation process only. Pursuant to HRS §103D-310(c) and HAR §3-122-112, the procuring officer shall verify compliance (i.e., vendor is required to provide proof of compliance and may use the Hawaii Compliance Express) and the award is required to be posted on the Awards Reporting System. Copies of compliance and the awards posting are required to be documented in the procurement/contract file.

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

Approved

Disapproved

No Action Required


 Chief Procurement Officer Signature

5/28/15
 Date