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STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE  
NOTICE OF REQUEST TO AMEND AN EXEMPTION  
FROM HRS CHAPTER 103D CONTRACT

STATE OF HAWAII  
PROCUREMENT OFFICE

TO: Chief Procurement Officer  
FROM: Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife  
Name of Requesting Department

Pursuant to HRS §103D-102(b)(4) and HAR section 3-120-5(d), the Department requests to amend an exempt contract as follows:

1. SPO-007, Exemption Reference (PE) Number: PE14-032K  
2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider Name: Various

3. Describe the goods, services, or construction:  
The Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) offers payments to landowners enrolled in the program as part of the program implementation in the state. DLNR, under the terms of the federal program conditions, pays an annual payment and cost-share reimbursement for practices implemented under CREP to landowners that are authorized for the program by the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA). Management plans for landowners are generated by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and approved for payment under FSA. DLNR is required to provide a direct cash match to landowners (10% of federal funds), the State has agreed to provide \$17/acre/year for the term of the 14-15 year CREP contracts to landowners to enroll in the program and cost-share reimbursement for the implementation of CREP practices.

4. Explain in detail what is being amended:  
The term of the exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS from June 30, 2015 to June 30, 2016. <sup>2018</sup> per email 6/9/15 Irene Sprecher

5. Amended contract price for this request: \$ 500000/year

6. Explain in detail why the amendment(s) are necessary:  
Procurement exemption No. PE14-032K was for a period until June 30, 2015. The conditions of procurement under the program as detailed in that request for exemption still exist. This includes USDA's continued role in determining eligibility and enrollment in CREP, the States requirement to accept the judgment of USDA's approval of landowners into CREP, and the use of IFB, RFP, or other procurement methods are not practical for contract agreements administered under CREP. In order to continue operating the program and comply with Chapter 103D, HRS the extension of the exemption is requested.

