

STATE OF HAWAII
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM CHAPTER 103D, HRS

The Chief Procurement Officer is in the process of reviewing the request from the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism for exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS, for the following goods, services, or construction:

Tourism (DBEDT)
 DBEDT's Tourism Research Branch requests to subscribe to Unlimited OD1A access to Actual Domestic and International Air Fare statistics via the Internet from Back Aviation Solutions (formerly Back Information Services) for January - December 2006. This database of actual airline prices is a critical component in the processing of visitor expenditure statistics for the State of Hawaii. DBEDT has been subscribing to Back Aviation data since 1998. DBEDT requests to subscribe to the 2006 database now in order to take advantage of the current pricing. Back Aviation Solutions is the sole source of this extensive air fare database. The total cost of the 2006 monthly access to the database is \$7,500.00

Vendor: Back Aviation Solutions
Address: CBM/Back
 P.O. Box 822032
 Philadelphia, PA 19182-2032

Term of Contract: n/a	From:	To:	Cost: \$7,500.00
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<p>Direct any inquiries to: Department: DBEDT Research and Economic Analysis Division- Tourism Research Branch Contact Name/Title: Minh-Chau T. Chun, Acting Tourism Branch Chief Address: P.O. Box 2359 Honolulu, Hawaii 96804</p>	<p>Phone Number: (808) 586-2476 Fax Number: (808) 586-8449</p>
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Date Posted: 6/17/05

A copy of this notice of exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS, shall be posted by the Chief Procurement Officer and the purchasing agency in an area accessible to the public, at least seven (7) calendar days prior to any approval action.

Submit written objections to this notice to issue an exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS, within seven (7) calendar days from the date posted to:

Chief Procurement Officer
 Office/Agency _____
 Address _____

REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHAPTER 103D, HRS

TO: Chief Procurement Officer

STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
STATE OF HAWAII

FROM: Dept. of Business, Economic Development & Tourism (DBEDT) - Research & Economic
(Department/Division/Agency) Analysis Division, Tourism Research Branch (TRB)

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

Description of goods, services, or construction:
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Explanation describing how procurement by competitive means is either not practicable or not advantageous to the State:
Back Aviation Solutions is the only provider of this extensive database of airline prices. This data is critical in the calculations of monthly visitor expenditure statistics collected each month for the State of Hawaii.

Details of the process or procedure to be followed in selecting the vendor to ensure maximum fair and open competition as practicable:
N/A. Back Aviation Solutions is the sole source.

A description of the agency's internal controls and approval requirements for the exempted procurement:
 DBEDT's procurement delegation authority and the department's internal controls for small purchases.

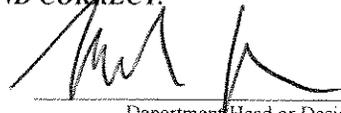
A list of agency personnel, by position title, who will be involved in the approval process and administration of the contract:
 Pearl Imada Iboshi, Economic Research Administrator,
 DBEDT Research and Economic Analysis Division

 Ken Kitamura, Administrative Services Officer, DBEDT Administrative Services Office
 Eileen Harada, Contracts Specialist, DBEDT Administrative Services Office

Direct questions to: Minh-Chau T. Chun, Acting Branch Chief, DBEDT Tourism Research Branch	Phone Number: 586-2476
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This exemption should be considered for list of exemptions attached to Chapter 3-120, HAR: Yes No

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, TRUE AND CORRECT.



Department Head or Designee

Date

Title (If other than Department Head)

Chief Procurement Officer's Comments:

Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative requirements.

APPROVED

DISAPPROVED

Chief Procurement Officer

Date

cc: Administrator,
State Procurement Office