

STATE OF HAWAII
REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHAPTER 103D, HRS

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TO: Chief Procurement Officer

STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE
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FROM: Agriculture/Animal Industry/Livestock Disease Control Branch

(Department/Division/Agency)

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:

Veterinarians participating in the program will draw a single blood sample or collect fecal sample from cows presented by the dairy or ranch, fill out test record with the tube identification and/or animal identification, breed, age, and sex and submit the sample and record to the State Veterinary Laboratory for testing or shipment to other laboratories. After training, complete Risk Assessments/Management Plans for herds and receive \$500.00 for Risk Assessments/Management Plans. Veterinarians will be paid \$60.00 round trip fee for blood/fecal collection and to consult with herd management on Risk Assessment/Management Plan.

Name of Vendor:	Various on all islands.	Cost:
Address:		\$3.00 per sample \$60.00 round trip fee \$500.00 Assessment

Term of Contract:	From: 9/24/05	To: 9/23/06	Prior Exemption Ref. No. (if applicable)
USDA/State Cooperative Agreement award period	<i>won CPO approval</i>		05-55-C/04/22-M

Explanation describing how procurement by competitive means is either not practicable or not advantageous to the State:

The Department of Agriculture was awarded a third cooperative agreement for a voluntary Johne's disease program which provides for a \$3.00 per blood/fecal sample fee, \$60.00 round trip fee and \$500.00 Risk Assessment/Management Plan fee to be paid to private practicing veterinarians to collect and submit these samples to the State Veterinary Laboratory for testing. Typically, the dairy/ranch will already have a veterinarian that they have established a client-veterinary relationship with to conduct their work and keep their farm/ranch information confidential. This program encourages producer participation by assuring participants that their herd test information will remain confidential. It is unlikely that the dairies and ranches would agree to participate if they had to use a low bid veterinarian that they did not have an established client-veterinary relationship with, thereby jeopardizing their herd status confidentiality. This would in turn frustrate the State's ability to have this testing completed and advance the voluntary Johne's disease program.

Details of the process or procedure to be followed in selecting the vendor to ensure maximum fair and open competition as practicable:

Selection of veterinarians to conduct this testing will be done by those dairies and beef ranches that elect to participate in the program. It is expected that they will choose a veterinarian that is familiar with their operation and which they have established a client-veterinary relationship with.

A description of the agency's internal controls and approval requirements for the exempted procurement:

Selection of private veterinarian to conduct this testing will be done by those dairies and beef ranches that elect to continue and/or participate in the program. Invoices received from the private veterinarians will be matched to the laboratory submission forms to confirm date and total amount of samples received and tested by the State Veterinary Laboratory or other laboratories. Approval for payment will be given by the Livestock Disease Control Branch Manager and Division Administrator.

A list of agency personnel, by position title, who will be involved in the approval process and administration of the contract:

Program Manager (Dr. Jason Moniz)
Livestock Disease Control Branch

Direct questions to: Dr. Jason Moniz jdmoniz@gte.net	Phone Number: (808) 483-7106
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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.

 9/30/05
 Department Head or Designee Date

 Title (If other than Department Head)

Chief Procurement Officer's Comments:

This approval is for the solicitation process only, Chapter 103D-310, HRS, shall apply.

Please ensure adherence to applicable administrative requirements.

APPROVED DISAPPROVED

 10/11/05
 Chief Procurement Officer Date

cc: Administrator,
State Procurement Office