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

1. TO: Chief Procurement Officer
2. FROM: Department of Defense/Civil Defense Division

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:

3. Description of goods, services or construction:

Purchase of services to develop a formal tsunami curriculum, test it and distribute a formal educational package to State of Hawaii Department of Education (DOE) which will contain student materials and a teacher's guide in addition to supplemental material that are "teacher-ready" for expanded lesson plans. The target group is grade 6; and is expected to accommodate preliminary educational exposure for ages 4 to 8. The project will also include the development of a related exhibit with text and interactive visuals of locally generated tsunamis in Hawaii. To be featured will be the 1975 Kalapana earthquake event called the "Halape Story". Additionally there will be information on the 2004 Sumatra event.

4. Name of Vendor: Pacific Tsunami Museum

Address: 130 Kamehameha Avenue
Hilo, HI 96720

5. Price:

\$275,000

6. Term of Contract: From: April 2007

To: March 2008

7. Prior Exemption Ref. No.

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8. Explanation describing how procurement by competitive means is either not practicable nor advantageous to the State:
See attachment.

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

The process in selecting the above vendor was limited to the review of businesses in the Tsunami industry. The department tsunami staff's review eliminated all but the selected vendor due to its working relationship with DOE, communications and technical access to international, national and local tsunami subject matter experts.

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

All exempted procurement requests are reviewed by the contracting officer, the fiscal officer and the departmental procuring officials, with final approval by the departmental head or his designee. Approval is only granted after the review and endorsement of the reviewing officials and certification of availability of funds.

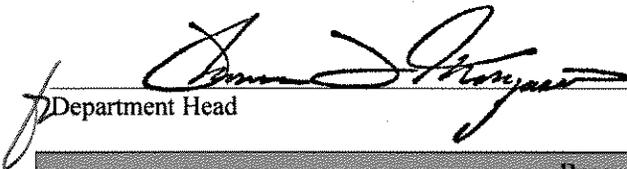
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12. A list of agency personnel, by position, who will be involved in the approval process and administration of the contract:		
Name	Position	Involvement in Process
Major Neal Mitsuyoshi	Contracting Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration
Thomas Moriyasu	Fiscal Officer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration
Edward T. Teixeira	Vice Director of Civil Defense	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration
MG Robert G. F. Lee	Adjutant General	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Administration
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13. Direct inquiries to: Department: Defense
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Agency shall ensure adherence to applicable administrative and statutory requirements

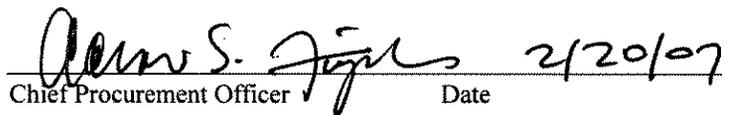
14. *I certify that the information provided above is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.*


 Department Head

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 Date

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	15. Date Notice Posted <u>2/13/07</u>
<p>The Chief Procurement Officer is in the process of reviewing this request for exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS. Submit written objections to this notice to issue an exemption from Chapter 103D, HRS, within seven calendar days or as otherwise allowed from the above posted date to:</p> <p align="center">Chief Procurement Officer State Procurement Office P.O. Box 119 Honolulu, Hawaii 96810-0119</p>	
<p>Chief Procurement Officer's comments:</p> <p>The approval is based on the DOD's representation that this vendor has unique expertise and data in this area to do this service. This approval is for the solicitation process only, section 103D-310(c), HRS and section 3-122-112, HAR, shall apply.</p>	

16. APPROVED DISAPPROVED


 Chief Procurement Officer Date 2/20/07

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Section 8 attachment

The procurement by competitive means is neither practicable nor advantageous to the State because:

- 1) The Pacific Tsunami Museum (PTM) has unparalleled and years of experience in producing tsunami hazard public information and education materials.
- 2) PTM is the largest repository of tsunami education materials in the world, including more than 1,000 tsunami-related photographs and over 200 survivor interviews. The PTM is in a unique position to develop an educational program that will include visual and anecdotal media. The use of photos and stories will bring to life the threat and impact of a tsunami to young children, and make an impression upon them that will last through adulthood.
- 3) The end product, a formal tsunami hazard educational package, has to be accepted by the State Department of Education (DOE) in order for immediate distribution and usage. In order to insure the latter, PTM has a public awareness work group that includes members of DOE. No other organization has this unique working relationship with DOE.
- 4) The PTM has a volunteer educational committee composed of top science teachers from throughout the State that have existed for over a decade. Furthermore, more than 20 museum docents are former school teachers representing all grades from elementary to high school thus providing extensive in-house access to experienced professional educators. Finally, the chair of the committee has been the museum director for the past 7 years and has over 30 years experience in working as an educator with DOE serving both as a teacher and as principal of Hilo High School.
- 5) The PTM has had experience working with native Hawaiian children on tsunami education. Working in collaboration with the head science teacher of Ke Ana La'ahana Hawaiian Charter School has tested innovative tsunami curriculum.
- 6) In June 1999 the PTM was recognized by UNESCO at an international meeting in Boulogne sur Mer, France, as the prime example of effective disaster education, linking the public with the scientific and disaster management communities. The museum was featured nationally by FEMA in 2001 as an outstanding example of a hazard mitigation project that provides broad visibility of a potential danger and educational programs for residents and visitors. Personnel affiliated with the museum understand all aspects of the problem from the science to emergency management to human response and psychology of victims. Since disaster research is a multi-disciplinary field it is best coordinated by an organization that can study and identify practical problems in developing a sustainable framework for communicating awareness globally.
- 7) Researchers, educators, and disaster mitigation workers around the world seek the tsunami survivor interviews and other research data archived at PTM; therefore, any other organization would have to work with PTM to accomplish what the Department is requesting by this contract.
- 8) Recent earthquake activities (Kiholo Bay Earthquake on October 16, 2006, Kuril Island 8.3 Mag. Earthquake on November 15, 2006 and the Kuril Islands 8.1 Mag. Earthquake on January 13, 2007) fortunately did not generate the potentially disastrous tsunamis but did increase the urgency of this educational effort to make everyone realize the danger of a tsunami and that an immediate response to the danger must be made a part of our lifestyle here in the islands.