

NOTICE OF SOLE SOURCE
COUNTY OF KAUAI

The Director of Finance has received a Request For Sole Source in accordance with Hawai'i Administrative Rule 3-122-82 and Hawai'i Revised Statutes 103D-306. A preliminary review has been conducted and approved for posting of this Notice.

Accordingly, by posting of this Notice, constructive notice is provided to permit interested parties an opportunity to review a copy of the Request For Sole Source, attached and posted herewith, and to submit written objections within seven (7) days from the date this Notice was posted. Objections shall be submitted by email to:

COKPurchasing@kauai.gov.

Questions may be directed to the Division of Purchasing at phone: (808) 241-4288:

A summary of the Sole Source Request follows:

Proposed Vendor's Name and Address:

Optimal Controls LLC
94-1388 Moaniani Street #241
Waipahu, HI 96797

Brief description of proposed Sole Source Item:

Lihue WWTP Primary Clarifier Scum Pump (See Attached)

BY: Carrie Moses
Division of Purchasing

Date Notice Posted: October 30, 2025

SPACE BELOW IS RESERVED FOR RESPONSE TO REQUESTING AGENCY

TO: Public Works / Wastewater
(Dept or Agency) (Div)

☒ Sole Source #2026-SS-55 is assigned. This Notice was posted for seven (7) days. No objections were received. Please proceed with (1) processing of a requisition for a purchase order, or (2) contract preparation, and reference the assigned Sole Source number in the respective document.

☐ Objection(s) were received. Please contact the Division of Purchasing.

Division of Purchasing

Date

REQUEST FOR SOLE SOURCE
County of Kaua'i

TO: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

FROM: Public Works /Wastewater Management
(Dept or Agency) (Div)

10/23/2025
Date

RE: REQUEST FOR SOLE SOURCE APPROVAL

Instructions: Cost and/or pricing data requirements for contracts expected to exceed \$100,000 are applicable pursuant to HAR 3-122-123 & 124.

- I. Pursuant to 103D-306, HRS, and Subchapter 9, Chapter 3-122, HAR, the Department requests sole source approval to purchase the following: **(Description of goods, services, or construction)**

Lihue WWTP Primary Clarifier Scum Pump

- II. Name and Address of Vendor:

Optimal Controls LLC
94-1388 Moaniani St. #241
Waipahu, HI 96797

- III. Estimated Cost: \$23,000.00

- IV. Term of Contract or delivery time:

96 calendar days

- V. The goods, services, or construction has the following unique features, characteristics, or capabilities:

The procurement is to replace a primary clarifier scum pump at the Lihue WWTP with a seepex pump. The SEEPEX, Inc are distributed by the manufacturer via sole source distributor network. As indicated in the attached letter, Optimal Controls, LLC is the manufacturer's sole sources distributor in Hawaii for the required product.

- VI. Describe how the unique features, characteristics, or capabilities are essential for the agency to accomplish its work:

This pump has patented technology which they call Smart Conveying Technology. The design of the pump makes it easy for one person to remove either the suction or discharge part of the pump to do maintenance and repairs easily. They also have a two piece smart rotor that allows

for easy removal and replacement without the need to dismantel the joint or use special tools, saving time and money.

- VII. The following other possible sources for the goods, services, or construction were investigated but do not meet our needs because:

Other pumps could work but we are looking for smarter designed pumps that will lessen the time needed to maintain.

- VIII. Person(s) recommended to negotiate the sole source contract:

- A. Name, Title, and relevant experience or qualifications:

Donn Kakuda, Civil Engineer VI

- B. Name, Title, and relevant experience or qualifications:

- IX. Special Provisions:

- X. This expenditure may be processed through a purchase order: Yes ☒ No ☐.

- XI. The vendor was/will be notified prior to soliciting or negotiating a price, that the applicable General Terms and Conditions, or General Provisions for Construction Contracts, is applicable to this purchase: Yes ☒ No ☐.

Direct questions to: Donn Kakuda Ph: x4083

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HEREIN IS TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, TRUE, CORRECT AND THAT THE GOODS, SERVICES, OR CONSTRUCTION ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH ONLY ONE SOURCE.

Troy Tanigawa
Troy Tanigawa (Oct 24, 2025 10:04:02 HST)
(Department/Agency Head Signature)

Date

SPACE BELOW RESERVED FOR FINANCE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE:

APPROVED ☒ DENIED ☐

If approved, the following ☒ conditions apply:

- ☒ The furnishing and delivery of the items and/or services specified herein shall comply with this Request for Sole Source in its entirety and with the General Terms and Conditions for Goods and Services, dated July 2016, which by reference is incorporated herein as though it were physically an integral part of this notice.
- ☒ For contracts of \$100,000 or more, HAR 3-122-121 et. seq., cost and pricing data requirements apply.
- ☒ The contract period shall not exceed one (1) year, unless approval is granted for a multi-term contract pursuant to HAR 3-122-149.
- ☒ Seven (7) day posting by **Purchasing Division** required.
- ☒ PRIOR APPROVAL for amendment(s) changing scope of work or increase price by 10% or more required. (Amendments are also subject to 7 day posting by **Purchasing Division**)
- ☒ A copy of the approved request must accompany the contract document submitted to the Purchasing Division for processing.
- ☒ Tax compliance is required as a pre-requisite to award and for final payment when contract amount is \$2,500 or more. (HRS 103D-328, HRS 103D-310, HAR 3-122-112)
- ☒ The contractor shall be informed of the requirements of **HRS 11-355 relating to the prohibition of campaign contributions by State and County Contractors during the term of the contract (Contact State Campaign Spending Commission: 808 586-0285; www.hawaii.gov/campaign).**

Ernest Barreira

Ernest Barreira (Oct 30, 2025 12:57:52 HST)

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Date

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE'S COMMENTS: