



Central Emergency Services

Central Kenai Peninsula Fire & EMS Providers

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Fire Chief

TO: John Williams, Borough Mayor *[Signature]*
THRU: Mark Fowler, Purchasing Officer *[Signature]*
FROM: Chris Mokracek, Fire Chief *[Signature]*
SUBJECT: Wildland Firefighting Foam Units – Sole Source Request
DATE: May 4, 2006

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This is a request to allow for a sole source purchase from the following vendor:

- **Fire Solutions - \$15,560.00**

CES is continually seeking cost effective and pro-active ways to meet the service area needs and identify target hazards. Through active participation in the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) it was determined that one of the methods of reducing the risk of wildland fire include improving fire suppression capabilities and fire response infrastructure.

The foam units we are seeking will easily slip into the bed of our 4x4 utility trucks. It consists of two 30 gallon tanks that when activated creates 1,200 gallons of foam utilized for wildland firefighting. This will allow us to make a "quick attack" during the early stage of a wildland fire. It will also allow us easy access into areas that created difficulty in the past (narrow or muddy roads that would prevent larger fire apparatus to negotiate).

Arctic Fire is the only distributor in the State of Alaska to offer this technology from Fire Solutions. CES has looked at similar models, but these units will best meet the needs of the service area in reliability and cost effectiveness. None of the fire equipment dealers in the State offer anything that comes close to this type of product. <http://www.firesolutionsonline.com> We will be receiving these units at the lowest price available. Funds are available in the following account: 211.51610.48760

We are purchasing the following:

- Two (2) Dual RRU-30 Low Profile Foam Fire Protection Units @ \$7,780 each

APPROVED: Yes No Signature *[Signature]* Date 5-8-06