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Alabama State University

PO # _____

Purchasing Department

Sole Source Criteria

The declaration of a "sole source" purchase must be exercised judicially and always with good faith. A good's or service's "uniqueness" alone cannot qualify the producer or supplier of the good or service as a "sole source" under Alabama's competitive bidding laws; instead, to so qualify the good or service offered must be unique; that uniqueness must be substantially related to the intended purpose, use and performance of the good or service sought; the requestor seeking "sole source" justification must show that other similar goods or services cannot perform the desired objectives of the proposed vendor.

Prior to processing a requisition - This form must be completed and submitted to Purchasing when sole source approval is requested for equipment/supplies/services exceeding \$15,000 based on the following:

From Requesting Department: _____

*Proposed Vendor: _____ Price \$ _____

Alabama Bid Law requires that *proposed vendor submit a letter on company stationery, signed by a company executive stating they are the sole source.

Product/Services Description: _____

Consider sole source approval for the following reason:

Suppliers identified below have also been contacted and their products/services of similar capabilities have been considered:

Vendor #2: _____ Contact & Phone # _____

Product/service is not acceptable because _____

Vendor #3: _____ Contact & Phone # _____

Product/service is not acceptable because _____

Requester Signature _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____

Dept. Head Signature _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____

Purchasing Department Approval _____ Date _____