

products or services are known to be required for ongoing emergency response, they must be considered for Vendor of Record (VOR), allowing a competitive process and aggregation of spending. A purchase order will be issued.

2. Special Ministry Funding

When special funding is provided to the Board, and time permits, all processes outlined in this administrative regulation will be applicable for any procurement. Where time does not permit and, in conjunction with Procurement Services, the funded department will make every attempt to follow these administrative regulations in a manner that best meets requirements of the funding provisions.

3. Volatile Market Conditions

Where market conditions are such that long-term price protection cannot be obtained for goods, services or construction, Procurement Services, in conjunction with the end user, will obtain competitive prices for short-term commitments until such time as reasonable price protection and firm market pricing is restored.

4. Sole Source Procurement

When purchasing by sole source (only one vendor available for goods, services or construction) Procurement Services must be satisfied that there is, indeed, only one vendor available for the purchase, and that the purchase is not intended for the purposes of avoiding competition between vendors or to discriminate against vendors. Negotiations may then be utilized, if, in the judgement of the Manager of Procurement and Central Services, any of the following conditions apply:

- 4.1 To ensure compatibility with existing products, to recognize exclusive rights, such as exclusive licences, copyright and patent rights, or to maintain specialized products that must be maintained by the manufacturer or its representative.
- 4.2 Established specific standards are in place.
- 4.3 Where there is an absence of competition for technical reasons and the goods

- 4.7 For work to be performed on property by a contractor according to provisions of a warranty or guarantee held in respect of the property or the original work.
- 4.8 For the procurement of original works of art.
- 4.9 For the procurement of real property.

5. Single Source Procurement

Purchase by single source (there is more than one vendor in the open market, but for reasons of standardization, function or service, one vendor is recommended) will be considered if:

- 5.1 compatibility with an existing product, facility, or service is required and the vendor, for function or service, has skills related to, and an existing knowledge of, the nature of the function or service;
- 5.2 only one bid, or no bids are received through a competitive bid process, and it is impractical to re-issue the requirements due to time constraints;
- 5.3 goods and/or services are in short supply due to market conditions;
- 5.4 goods, services or construction acquired through a competitive process with established unit prices to be extended to other end users within the Board where it is considered to be beneficial, cost effective and/or timely;
- 5.5 sources of supply are restricted to the extent that there is not effective price competition;
- 5.6 consideration of substitutes are unacceptable;
- 5.7 there is only one vendor who can provide the commodity by the specified date required.

6. Insurance Claims

Where an insurance claim has been made, and a payment amount has been settled with the Board, Procurement Services shall obtain pricing for replacement goods in accordance with the approval levels set out in this policy unless already available through CVORs, or other Board agreements. A requisition will be created directly by the end user in such circumstances.