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SUBJECT: RISKONNECT, INC. - ASSURANCE SOFTWARE, MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

*** CONSENT AGENDA ***

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve renewal of Riskonnect, Inc. as sole source for the purchase of Assurance Software, Maintenance and Support Services, for Information Technology.

BACKGROUND

On February 6, 2024, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #142590, approved Riskonnect, Inc. (formerly Castellan Solutions, Inc.) as sole source for Assurance Software, Maintenance and Support Services.

Riskonnect, Inc. is the current provider of the Assurance software suite. The Assurance software provides two (2) related programs that are both critical to ongoing disaster management and business continuity efforts. Assurance Continuity Manager provides storage and management of Continuity of Operations Plans (COOPs) and imports employee information from SAP. Assurance Notification Manager provides emergency notification services to notify employees of threatening situations and appropriate responses (such as closure of County facilities due to severe weather or other hazards).

Riskonnect, Inc. provided the Purchasing Agent documentation to substantiate that their sole source status has not changed and they continue to be the sole producer of Assurance Software and are the sole source for maintenance and support services in the United States.

Under the County Purchasing Act, exemptions to the competitive bidding requirements are allowed for certain types of purchases. The statutes require that the Purchasing Agent advise the Commissioners Court of the existence of only one (1) source, with such notice to be entered into the minutes of the Court.

Accordingly, the above item has been determined to be sole source under the County Purchasing Act 262.024(a) (7) as follows:

- "(7) an item can be obtained from only one (1) source, including:
 - (A) items for which competition is precluded because of the existence of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or monopolies".

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

SUBMITTED BY	Purchasing	PREPARED BY:	Kehinde Olugbile
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22 January 2025

Re: Sole Source Letter

To whom it may concern:

This letter confirms that Castellan Solutions, Inc. is the sole producer of the Assurance Software. Additionally, Castellan Solutions, Inc. is the sole source for maintenance and support services for Assurance Software in the United States. The undersigned is authorized and certifies that this exemption is applicable to this procurement.

Regards,

Michael Jones (Jan 22, 2025 12:48 EST)

Michael Ridgway Jones Castellan Solutions, Inc. General Counsel and Secretary



TAKINGS IMPACT ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

Complete this form for any county action that involves the adoption of a regulation, policy, guideline, court resolution, or order.

		ulation Name: <u>Risk</u> oformation Technolo	connect, Inc Assurance Software, Maintenance and Support ogy		
County	/ Dep	artment: PUF	RCHASING		
Contac	ct Per	son:	Melissa Lee, C.P.M., A.P.P.		
			son: (817) 884-3245		
		Performed: SHOR and III below.	T TIA or FULL TIA. Circle one after answering the questions in		
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I.	State	ed Purpose			
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II.	Pote	Potential Effect on Private Real Property			
	1.	Does the county acproperty?	ction require a physical invasion, occupation, or dedication of rea		
		Yes	No		
	2.	Does the county temporarily?	action limit or restrict a real property right, even partially, or		
		Yes	No		
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