

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**FROM:** Bob Doyle, Sheriff-Coroner-PA

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
7/20/06

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Stratus Technologies as a Sole Source Vendor to Provide Annual Maintenance of Equipment Supporting RMS and CLETS

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Move that the Board of Supervisors:

Authorize the Purchasing Agent to purchase annual hardware and software maintenance, through an agreement with Stratus Technologies, for equipment supporting RMS (Records Management System) and CLETS (California Law Enforcement Telecommunications System), not to exceed \$60,000 per year through June 30, 2009, without securing competitive bids, in accordance with Ordinance 459.4.

**BACKGROUND:** In 1998, as part of its migration from IBM system to the current RMS system, the Sheriff's Department purchased hardware and software components (message switch) from Stratus Technologies. This switch is the only connection to the Department of Justice, FBI, NCIC, and the only means of operation to provide CLETS information to Sheriff's personnel, contract cities, police departments and other County agencies. This switch moves transactions between the Sheriff's RMS system and the requesting agency terminal. The hardware and software support approximately 23,000 devices including RMS terminals and MDC's. The RMS rate recovers approximately 40% of the annual costs.

BR 07-015 (Continued on Page 2)

Bob Doyle, Sheriff-Coroner-PA

**FINANCIAL DATA**

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$52,476	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$32,476	Budget Adjustment:	No
Annual Net County Cost:	\$32,476	For Fiscal Year:	FY 2006-07

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** Department Budget & RMS Rate Revenue

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE**

**County Executive Office Signature**

- Dep't Recomm.:  Consent  Policy
- Per Exec. Ofc.:  Consent  Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: All

Agenda Number:

3.25

Purchasing: *Billy B. Bennett*  
Director

Departmental Concurrence

The hardware and software maintenance agreement covers software updates and upgrades, and hardware repair or replacement. The switch has proven to be both stable and reliable.

**Price Reasonableness**

Both the hardware and software are proprietary and there are no other vendors who can provide this service for the existing equipment. In 1998, the original software and equipment purchased from Stratus Technologies totaled \$491,225.00. The annual maintenance cost is approximately 11% of the original cost.

Date: 7/31/06

From: Darcelle Smaby, Administrative Supervisor Department/Agency: Sheriff

To: Board of Supervisors  
Via: Purchasing Agent  
Subject: Sole Source Procurement; Request for

The below information is provided in support of my Department requesting approval for a sole source. Outside of a duly declared emergency, the time to develop a statement of work or specifications is not in itself justification for sole source.

**Supply/Service being requested:** Annual Hardware and Software Maintenance Agreement.

**Supplier being requested:** Stratus Technologies.

**Alternative suppliers that can or might be able to provide supply/service:** None. Equipment and Software are proprietary.

**Extent of market search conducted:** None. Equipment and Software are proprietary.

**Unique features of the supply/service being requested from this supplier, which no alternative supplier can provide:** Original equipment and software purchased from Stratus Technologies in 1998. Stratus has maintained both the hardware and software since that time, including software updates and upgrades, equipment repair and replacement. The hardware and software supports approximately 23,000 devices including RMS terminals and MDC's.


**Reasons why my department requires these unique features and what benefit will accrue to the county:** The hardware and software components (Message Switch) is the only connection to the Department of Justice, FBI, NCIC and the only means of operation to provide CLETS information to Sheriff's personnel, contract cities, police department and other county agencies. The switch moves transactions between the Sheriff's RMS system and the requesting agency terminal.

**Price Reasonableness:** Both the hardware and software are proprietary. No other vendor can support existing equipment. In 1998, the original software and hardware purchased from Stratus totaled \$491,225.00. The annual maintenance cost is approximately 11% of the original cost.

**Does moving forward on this product or service further obligate the county to future similar contractual arrangements?** No, maintenance agreement is renewed annually. The RMS system is scheduled to be upgraded by 2009.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Department Head Signature 08-01-06  
Date

**Purchasing Department Comments:**

Approve       Approve with Condition/s       Disapprove  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Purchasing Agent 8-2-06  
Date