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Sole Source Justification (Reference Article 6, Procurement Source Selection Methods and Contract Awards, § 1-10-56 SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT)

Vendor: NAFECO E-Verify Number: 163356

Commodity: EMERGENCY EQUIP. SALES

Estimated annual expenditure for the above commodity or service: \$ 151,245.00

Initial all entries below that apply to the proposed purchase. Attach a memorandum containing complete justification and support documentation as directed in initialed entry. (More than one entry will apply to most sole source products/services requested).

1. SOLE SOURCE REQUEST IS FOR THE ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER OR PROVIDER, THERE ARE NO REGIONAL DISTRIBUTORS. (Attach the manufacturer's written certification that no regional distributors exist. Item no. 4 also must be completed.)
- X 2. SOLE SOURCE REQUEST IS FOR ONLY THE AUGUSTA GEORGIA AREA DISTRIBUTOR OF THE ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER OR PROVIDER. (Attach the manufacturer's — not the distributor's — written certification that identifies all regional distributors. Item no. 4 also must be completed.)
3. THE PARTS/EQUIPMENT ARE NOT INTERCHANGEABLE WITH SIMILAR PARTS OF ANOTHER MANUFACTURER. (Explain in separate memorandum.)
- X 4. THIS IS THE ONLY KNOWN ITEM OR SERVICE THAT WILL MEET THE SPECIALIZED NEEDS OF THIS DEPARTMENT OR PERFORM THE INTENDED FUNCTION. (Attach memorandum with details of specialized function or application.)
5. THE PARTS/EQUIPMENT ARE REQUIRED FROM THIS SOURCE TO PERMIT STANDARDIZATION. (Attach memorandum describing basis for standardization request.)
- X 6. NONE OF THE ABOVE APPLY. A DETAILED EXPLANATION AND JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS SOLE SOURCE REQUEST IS CONTAINED IN ATTACHED MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned requests that competitive procurement be waived and that the vendor identified as the supplier of the service or material described in this sole source justification be authorized as a sole source for the service or material.

Name: Lea Rigdon Department: Fire Date: 6/24/2026

Department Head Signature: [Signature] Date: 6/24/26

Approval Authority: [Signature] Date: 07/07/26

Administrator Approval: (required not required) Date:

COMMENTS: Requires Commission Approval



Augusta Fire Department

Antonio Burden, Fire Chief



June 24, 2026

Mr. Andy Penick
Procurement Director

Subject: Sole Source Justification – MEIKO TopClean D Decontamination Units

Dear Mr. Penick,

The Augusta Fire Department has conducted a review of available firefighter PPE and SCBA decontamination systems and determined that the MEIKO TopClean D provides unique operational capabilities that are essential to the Department's firefighter health and safety program.

The MEIKO TopClean D is specifically engineered for the decontamination of firefighter personal protective equipment, SCBA facepieces, gloves, boots, and associated equipment. Unlike conventional commercial laundry systems and general-purpose cleaning equipment, the TopClean D incorporates patented SCBA mask washing technology utilizing dedicated mask mounting heads that secure the facepiece during the wash cycle. This patented design prevents contaminants, detergents, and wash water from entering the interior breathing area of the mask while ensuring thorough cleaning of the exterior surfaces.

The Augusta Fire Department considers this capability critical because SCBA facepieces are life-safety equipment that must be cleaned and decontaminated without compromising the integrity of the respiratory protection system. The TopClean D provides an automated and manufacturer-designed process that reduces firefighter exposure to carcinogens and hazardous contaminants while maintaining the serviceability of SCBA equipment.

In addition, the TopClean D allows for the simultaneous cleaning and decontamination of SCBA facepieces, boots, gloves, and other firefighter equipment through a purpose-built system designed specifically for the fire service. This level of integration, automation, and firefighter-specific functionality is not available through standard commercial washing equipment.

The Department has determined that these unique features are necessary to support firefighter cancer reduction initiatives, occupational health and safety objectives, and the Department's long-term PPE maintenance program. Substitution of other equipment would not provide the same patented SCBA facepiece protection and decontamination process required by the Department.

Further, MEIKO USA has certified that the TopClean D is a proprietary product manufactured exclusively by the MEIKO Group and that North America Fire Equipment Company (NAFECO)

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is the exclusive authorized distributor, installer, and service provider for the Fire Service market in Georgia. Therefore, no other vendor is authorized to provide this equipment, warranty support, installation services, or factory-authorized maintenance within the State of Georgia.

Should you require any additional information or supporting documentation, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Burden', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Antonio Burden
Fire Chief

Requisition

Dept. FIRE SPLOST Date 6/24/2026 Requisition Number:
 Acct. Number: 330-03-4510/5426120 JL#227039019 Purchase Order Date:
 Appr. 

		Vendor:		Name of Bidder		Name of Bidder		Name of Bidder	
Acct Bal.		Phone Number:		NAFECO		706-825-6764			
		Quoted by		JOE SMALLIDGE					
Item No	Description	QTY	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	
1	TOPCLEAN D MEIKO TOPCLEAN D DECON UNIT	3	\$41,117.00	\$123,351.00					
2	9209643 MEIKO MASK WASHING HEAD ASSEMBLY	6	\$832.00	\$4,992.00					
3	9209607 MEIKO BOOT AND GLOVE HOLDER,PAIR	9	\$1,982.00	\$17,838.00					
4	9209590 NEUTRAL DECON MD DETERGENT (CASE(2) 1 GAL	3	\$100.00	\$300.00					
5	9209592 MEIKO RINSE AID, NEUTRAL RINSE DECON NR (CASE	3	\$100.00	\$300.00					
6	2) 1 GAL	3	\$1,488.00	\$4,464.00					
7	12 MONTH PM 12 MONTH PREVENTATIVE MAINT. 1 YR AFTER								
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Sub Total				\$151,245.00		\$0.00			\$0.00
Shipping									
Grand Total				\$151,245.00		\$0.00			\$0.00



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D.B.A. NAFECO
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Quotation

Q1624042410609

Date: 2026-06-10
Expires: 2026-06-30
FOB: Origin

Customer Number: RIC650
Customer Information: AUGUSTA/RICHMOND COUNTY, GA
Address: LOGISTICS CENTER
2615 TOBACCO ROAD
STEPHEN WEDDLE 706-564-8105
HEPHZIBAH, GA 30815

Attention: DAVID YOUNG
Phone: 706-825-6764
Email: dayoung@augustaga.gov
Prepared By: Joe Smallidge

Qty	Item #	Description	Each	Total
3	TOPCLEAN D	MEIKO TopClean D Decon Unit	\$41,117.00	\$123,351.00
6	9209643	MEIKO Mask Washing Head Assembly	\$832.00	\$4,992.00
9	9209607	MEIKO Boot and Glove holder. pair	\$1,982.00	\$17,838.00
3	9209590	Neutral Decon MD Detergent, (case of (2) 1 gallon)	\$100.00	\$300.00
3	9209592	MEIKO Rinse Aid, neutral rinse Decon NR, (case of (2) 1 gallon)	\$100.00	\$300.00
3	12 MONTH PM	12 Month Preventative Maintenance One Year After Installation	\$1,488.00	\$4,464.00
			Subtotal	\$151,245.00
			Freight	TBD
			Total	\$151,245.00

tax & freight to be determined

Thank you for your business!

NOTE: All accounts are subject to sales tax charges unless a valid state exempt certificate is on file with NAFECO, or provided at the time of the order.

If you have any questions concerning this quote, please call our number listed above.

Visit Us On The Internet At: nafeco.com

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To whom it may concern,

The products produced by Meiko Incorporated , a world leading machine wash cleaner of firefighter respiratory protection equipment include the Top Clean Model D and Top Clean Model M.

This letter is to confirm that the Top Clean Model M and the Top Clean Model D are sole source products, manufactured by the Meiko Group, Inc. For the Fire Service Market in Georgia and Florida, these products are sold, distributed and supported exclusively by NAFECO, Inc. of Decatur, AL.

Regards,

Ken Adams
SCBA-Decon Series Equipment
Washers Manager
MEIKO USA Inc.
1349 Heil Quaker Blvd.
La Vergne, TN 37086