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MEMORANDUM FOR USPFO Purchasing and Contracting Division

SUBJECT: The Alaska Army National Guard (AKARNG) State Aviation Office (SAO) requests that the USPFO Purchasing and Contracting Division negotiate a purchase for one new 660-gallon firefighting bucket with two 50ft long lines.

1. The Bambi bucket from SEI Industries is an aerial firefighting tool that allows helicopters to carry and disperse water to assist in firefighting operations. This bucket is the only current approved firefighting bucket for use by the UH60 Blackhawk. SEI Industries is the only supplier of the Bambi bucket. The 50ft long lines are specially required for operation with the bucket and allow for operation in heavily forested environments often found in Alaska. The long line is an electrical extension of the Bambi bucket and is proprietary to use with the bucket, and no other brand long lines are compatible.

2. Currently Alaska National Guard utilizes six model 7590 Bambi buckets for firefighting operations. This bucket is intended to replace a bucket that has reached the end of its lifecycle, and it is desired to utilize the 660-gallon variant after 20yrs of experience in use.

3. The water bucket must be in compliance with AWR 1054R27. Please see attached AWR.

4. Delivery Location will be at 47-420 Westbrook Avenue, FT Richardson, AK, 99505 POC for delivery will be the same as POC listed below.

5. The Bambi bucket and long lines are desired to be delivered within 90 days of award of contract.

6. POC for this action is the undersigned at [redacted]

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