

**SOLE SOURCE DETERMINATION**

The Purchasing Division has been requested to approve a sole source purchase for the commodity or service described below. Pursuant to West Virginia Code 5A-3-10c, the Purchasing Division is attempting to determine whether the commodity or service is a sole source procurement. If you believe your company meets the required experience and qualification criteria stated below, please e-mail the Purchasing Division Buyer at michael.d.austin@wv.gov with a copy to Karen.Q.Byrd@wv.gov to express your interest in the project. Please forward any and all information that will support your company's compliance with required qualification and eligibility criteria along with any other pertinent information relative to this project to the Purchasing Division no later than 10/30/08 \_\_\_\_.

Requisition Number: 09900006

Department/Agency: Highways

Detailed Description of Project: Power trimming sides and tops of trees/brush along the highway right of way - multiple routes in Fayette, Greenbrier, Monroe, Nicholas, and Summers Counties. An estimated total of 50.73 shoulder miles and approximately 56.21 site miles is required for the tree/brush shearing on the various routes.

Proposed Sole Source Vendor: Asplundh Tree Expert Co.

Specific Eligibility Criteria: Specialized power/boom mounted saws capable of cutting tree tops/limbs and brush at different angles from the roadway lanes while maintaining intermittent traffic flow on the road is required. The tree/brush powered shearing will be accomplished in a forward motion, shearing horizontal vegetation (canopy growth) from 0 feet to the tree line; height of the cut shall not exceed 30 feet.

Specific Qualification Criteria: The equipment and personnel used to perform this work shall conform to meet the standard as required by OSHA 29 C.F.R. parts 1910.269 and 1910.333.