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Purchasing Department 25. F. 1.

**CC REGULAR AGENDA SPECIAL  
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**Sheriff's Office**

**Meeting Date:** 03/04/2025

**Submitted For:** Ignacio Amezcua,  
PURCHASING DEPT.

**Submitted By:** Jose Vela

**Department:** PURCHASING DEPT.

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**CAPTION**

- A. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under Texas Local Government Code 262.024(a)(7)(A) Items for which competition is precluded because of the existence of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or monopolies;
- B. Acceptance and approval of the "Sole Source Declaration" for SSD International Inc., for any and all patented products to be utilized by Sheriff's Office with said declaration to remain in effect while the declaration is in place or until revoked by HCCC;
- C. Requesting authority to purchase Weapon Ammunition Equipment from SSD International Inc., in the total amount of \$54,695.00

**BACKGROUND**

Project No. 25-0095-SOS

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**Fiscal Impact**

**CALENDAR YEAR:** 2025

**ACCT. #:** 5-1100-421-00-280-001-0-610

**FUNDS AVAILABLE Y/N?:** Y

**MATCHING FUNDS Y/N?:**

**BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

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**Attachments**

Legal Approval  
Sole Source Declaration  
Sole Source Letter  
Form 1295  
Sole Source Affidavit

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**Form Review**

| <b>Inbox</b>                    | <b>Reviewed By</b> | <b>Date</b>                     |
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| Purchasing / Internal           | Ignacio Amezcua    | 02/27/2025 10:23 AM             |
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## MEMORANDUM SOLE SOURCE DECLARATION

TO: Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court

FROM: Ignacio Amezcua MBA, CTCM, CTCD IA  
IA

DATE: March 4, 2025

RE: Sole Source Declaration for SSD International Inc. "Purchase of Weapon Ammunition Equipment"

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The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office seeks to procure the purchase of Weapon Ammunition Equipment from SSD International Inc.

SSD International Inc. is the exclusive authorized distributor of Hornady Law Enforcement products in Texas. Hornady Manufacturing Co. is warranted against defects in components and workmanship for a period of ten (10) years provided its maintained in a proper environment. Hornady Manufacturing Co. has a unique design and record testing of the 223 REM 53 GR TAP PATROL. This has proven to show a more consistent velocity, and trajectory when compared against other similar products on the market. Likewise, this product is a necessity to preserve and protect the public health or safety of the residents of the county.

In Accordance with the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(A),

(a) A contract for the purchase of any of the following items is exempt from the requirement established by section 262.023 if the commissioners court by order grants the exemption:

(7) an item that can be obtained from only one source, including:

(A) items for which competition is precluded because of the existence of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or monopolies;

Therefore, for the reason stated herein, we humbly request that the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court declare a Sole Source Vendor, for the purpose of procuring the purchase with SSD International Inc. This sole source declaration will remain in effect through the life term of the contract, unless otherwise revoked by the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court.






# Sole Source Declaration C-25-0095-SOS 1

Final Audit Report

2025-02-25

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### Hidalgo County Purchasing Department Sole Source Affidavit

THIS IS AN OFFICIAL PURCHASING DOCUMENT – RETAIN WITH PURCHASE ORDER

Before me, the undersigned official, on this day, personally appeared CHRIS AKKAWI a person known to me to be the person whose signature appears below, whom after being duly sworn upon his/her oath deposed and said:

1. My name is CHRIS AKKAWI. I am over the age of 18, have never been convicted of a crime, and am competent to make this affidavit.
2. I am an authorized representative of the following company or firm: SSD INTERNATIONAL INC.
3. The above-named company or firm is the sole source for the following item(s), product(s), or service(s):  
HORNADY LAW ENFORCEMENT PRODUCTS  
MA TECH LAW ENFORCEMENT PRODUCTS
4. Competition in providing the above-named item(s), product(s), service(s) is precluded by the existence of a patent, copyright, secret process, or monopoly as stated under Section 262.024(a)(7)(A), of the Local Government Code. Also, attached hereto is a sole source letter, which sets forth the reasons why this Vendor is a sole source provider (dated and signed).
5. There is/are no other like item(s) or product(s) available for purchase that would serve the same purpose or function.
6. Note: This Vendor understands that by providing false information on this Sole Source Affidavit, it may be considered a non-responsible Vendor on this and future purchases and may result in discontinuations of any/all business with Hidalgo County.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO under oath before me on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025

18

day of FEBRUARY 2025

Notary Public

JOSE RODRIGUEZ-CASTRO

Printed Name



JOSE A. RODRIGUEZ-CASTRO  
Commission # HH 103414  
Expires June 4, 2025  
Bonded Thru Budget Notary Services

My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: SSD INTERNATIONAL INC.

Address, City, State & Zip Code: 1349 S. ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL APOKA FL 32703

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name and Title: CHRIS AKKAWI VICE PRESIDENT WEB Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Tax ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Texas Sales Tax Number: \_\_\_\_\_



March 18, 2025

Hornady Manufacturing  
3625 West Old Potash Hwy  
Grand Island, NE 68803

RE: 2025 Sole Source of Supply – State of Florida, State of Texas, and State of Oklahoma

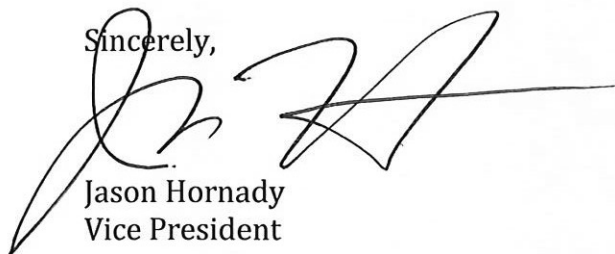
To whom it may concern:

Thank you for your interest in Hornady Law Enforcement/Military ammunition. This letter is to certify that SSD International/Shoot Straight Inc. is the sole source authorized distributor of Hornady Law Enforcement products throughout Florida, Texas, and Oklahoma. Any questions regarding ammunition, contracts, pricing, or bidding details therein can be directed to Chris Akkawi or another representative of SSD International/Shoot Straight Inc., 1349 S Orange Blossom Trail, Apopka, FL 32703.

This letter also certifies that the ammunition supplied by Hornady Manufacturing Co. is warranted against defects in components and workmanship for a period of ten (10) years provided it is maintained in a cool and dry environment free from any chemical exposure, whether it be liquids or airborne pollutants.

Hornady Manufacturing would like to thank you for your business, and we look forward to continuing our partnership with your agency, serving as your ammunition supplier for 2025 and beyond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Hornady', written over a horizontal line.

Jason Hornady  
Vice President



DATE: 7 January, 2025  
TO: U.S. Law Enforcement Customers  
FROM: Michael Fisher  
SUBJECT: SSD International, Inc

United States Law Enforcement Customers,

This letter will serve to confirm that SSD International, Inc, based in Apopka, FL USA, is the Magtech Ammunition Company's factory-approved Law Enforcement Distributor for Florida, Texas and Oklahoma. They are authorized to sell ammunition branded as Magtech, Sellier & Bellot, CBC Defense Group and MEN to U.S. Law Enforcement agencies and individual officers in strict compliance with all federal, state and local regulations.

Please contact me at your convenience with any additional questions regarding their status or Magtech Ammunition products.

Thank you for the interest in our line of ammunition.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Fisher".

Michael Fisher  
Vice President of Sales & Marketing  
Magtech Ammunition Co.  
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Brooklyn Park, MN 55445  
612-747-5897  
[mike.fisher@magtechammunition.com](mailto:mike.fisher@magtechammunition.com)