Emergency Purchasing Procedure

Definition

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   a) employee and public safety
   b) protection of University property from further immediate damage
   c) the threat of restricting UTSA’s capabilities for supplying necessary services to students, faculty and staff.

Process

Emergency purchases, which cost greater than $14,999.99

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<td>Emergency occurs as defined above.</td>
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<td>If possible, contact a minimum of three vendors.</td>
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<td>Prepares a purchase request and certificate of exemption from competitive bid or proposal requirements justifying using the emergency procedure.</td>
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<td>Obtains proper authorization from Vice President or Designee.</td>
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|       |             | 5    | Forwards to Purchasing: 
   a) copy of purchase request with suggested vendor,
   b) cost and funding information,
   c) quote from vendor
   d) and authorized certificate of exemption from competitive bid or proposal form. |
| 2     | Purchasing  | 1    | Creates a purchase order and issues number verbally to Department. |
CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS

Date: ______________________

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This Certificate of Exemption is executed and filed with the Purchasing Department as follows:

1) The undersigned is authorized to approve an exemption.
2) An exemption according to the definition listed above exists. More specifically, the following event has occurred:

____________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________

3) Because the exemption stated above exists, the University of Texas at San Antonio intends to contract with ________________________________which will cost approximately $__________________________.

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Originator

______________________________

Department Director Approval

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Vice President or designee signature (If $15,000 or over)

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