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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** The Honorable Marvin L. Abney  
Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable William J. Conley, Jr.  
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

**From:** Jonathan Womer  
Director, Office of Management and Budget

**Date:** May 11, 2020

**Subject:** Responses to Task Force Questions

Thank you for the opportunity to speak before the Joint Legislative COVID-19 Emergency Spending Task Force on April 30. We hope the information provided was beneficial to the members. Below are responses to additional questions raised by members of the Task Force. We are still working to obtain data in response to some of your questions but wanted to share what we have compiled so far in the interest of making sure the General Assembly is receiving information as quickly as possible. We will forward additional responses as soon as the data is available.

### **Master Price Agreements**

*Please provide a list of all vendors on Master Price Agreements (MPAs).*

All MPA contracts and vendors are listed online for accessibility and convenience on the Division of Purchases website: <https://www.ridop.ri.gov/contract-board/>

*How often are MPA lists updated and how often does the State go out to bid for MPA vendors?*

This varies based on the MPA. On average, MPAs will re-bid every few years.

*How was the state able to utilize the MPA in the construction of the field hospitals?*

The State conducted a competitive mini-bid process for construction and received five proposals from various construction manager vendors: Dimeo, Gilbane, Bond, AZ Corporation, and Shawmut. We are happy to provide copies of the proposals if the Task Force wishes to see them.

### **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

*What is the total spend on PPE and what are the predicted future costs?*

As of the last encumbrance/expenditure report produced on May 5, 2020, the Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency (RIEMA) had spent \$6.7 million on PPE. Outstanding encumbrances for PPE at RIEMA total \$72.2 million. We are currently in the process of working on future projections for PPE.

## Staffing

*Provide a breakdown by department of the employees who are working remotely.*

We do not have information regarding Executive Branch agencies that do not fall under the purview of the Governor, nor do we have teleworking data for other branches of government. Below represents the latest numbers for the core Executive Branch agencies:

<b>Teleworking by Agency</b>	
BHDDH	81
DBR	30
DCYF	330
DEM	225
DOA	332
DOH	195
DOR	75
DHS	172
DLT	41
DOC	309
EOHHS	73
Executive Military	30
MHA	3
PUC	9
DPUC	34
DOT	236
RISP	20
OHA	6
OHIC	11
Commerce	58
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,270</b>

*Provide a timeline of when employees started working remotely and when the State reached 1,600 employees working remotely.*

It began in mid-March. We surpassed 1,600 on 3/31/20. We are now up to almost 2,300.

**Other Expenditures**

*How much of the hand sanitizer was locally sourced? Did we receive donations? How much did it cost?*  
 The encumbrances as of 5/5 for hand sanitizer totals \$1.14 million and breaks down by vendor as follows:

<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Enc Amount</b>
	<b>\$ 1,142,580.62</b>
SONS OF LIBERTY SPIRITS CO	\$ 480.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	\$ 23,520.00
SONS OF LIBERTY SPIRITS CO	\$ 4,000.00
AIDANCE SCIENTIFIC INC	\$ 354,943.20
SONS OF LIBERTY SPIRITS CO	\$ 9,600.00
CINTAS CORP NO 2	\$ 59,616.00
AIDANCE SCIENTIFIC INC	\$ 354,943.20
KITTREDGE EQUIPMENT COMPANY	\$ 371.88
NEXT-GEN SUPPLY GROUP INC	\$ 2,234.80
CASEY ENGINEERED MAINTENANCE INC	\$ 78.46
CASEY ENGINEERED MAINTENANCE INC	\$ 627.68
MATERIALS SCIENCE ASSOCIATES LLC	\$ 19,008.00
SONS OF LIBERTY SPIRITS CO	\$ 500.00
SONS OF LIBERTY SPIRITS CO	\$ 500.00
CASEY ENGINEERED MAINTENANCE INC	\$ 1,257.40
CASEY ENGINEERED MAINTENANCE INC	\$ 1,200.00
MIDWEST MOTOR SUPPLY CO INC	\$ 1,035.00
BANNER SYSTEMS OF MASSACHUSETS INC	\$ 4,165.00
BANNER SYSTEMS OF MASSACHUSETS INC	\$ 4,500.00
OCEAN STATE JOBBERS INC	\$ 300,000.00

*Expenditures by vendor are as follows:*

<b>Trans Amount</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>
<b>\$ 342,226</b>	
\$ 240.75	SONS OF LIBERTY SPIRITS CO
\$ 196,000.00	MATERIALS SCIENCE ASSOCIATES LLC
\$ 588.00	MATERIALS SCIENCE ASSOCIATES LLC
\$ 17,472.00	MATERIALS SCIENCE ASSOCIATES LLC
\$ 110,528.00	MATERIALS SCIENCE ASSOCIATES LLC
\$ 900.00	SONS OF LIBERTY SPIRITS CO
\$ 1,198.80	MARINE RESCUE PRODUCTS INC
\$ 1,306.80	MARINE RESCUE PRODUCTS INC
\$ 690.24	BUCKEYE INTERNATIONAL INC
\$ 86.28	BUCKEYE INTERNATIONAL INC
\$ 1,248.00	BUCKEYE INTERNATIONAL INC
\$ 11,232.00	BUCKEYE INTERNATIONAL INC
\$ 735.00	BANNER SYSTEMS OF MASSACHUSETS INC

## **Future Reporting**

*Please provide:*

- *All reports to the Federal Government with the Task Force*
- *All guidance sent by the Federal Government regarding the CARES Act*
- *All known future expenses – even if they are just estimates – in future reports on expenditures and encumbrances to the committee.*

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will continue to keep the Task Force updated with the latest federal guidance and reports, as well as future expenses. For ease of access and to ensure transparency, we will be including this information online on a monthly basis through the Transparency Portal.

In the meantime, we have provided a detailed breakdown of expenditures and encumbrances in the attached Excel sheet. We will follow up with you as soon as possible on your remaining questions.

Thank you.

Cc: Members of the Joint Legislative COVID-19 Emergency Spending Task Force  
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