SELECTING FIRMS FROM ESTABLISHED LISTS	POLICY	
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1.0 Purpose:

To assure that contracts awarded to firms selected from lists that have been established by formal Request for Proposals (RFP) processes are selected using an approved procedure.

2.0 Scope:

This Policy applies to all VTA work units, departments, divisions, and work sites.

3.0 Responsibilities:

It is the responsibility of the Purchasing & Materials Manager to draft procedures to assure organizational understanding and compliance with this policy.

4.0 Policy:

It is the policy of VTA that when selecting a firm from a list of firms that has been previously established by a formal Request for Proposals (RFP) process and the intended contract has an estimated value greater than \$100,000, that the selection be made in accordance with approved Contracts and Materials Management Department procedures.

5.0 Definitions:

- 5.1 **Request for Proposals:** The Request for Proposals (RFP) process is an approved method generally used for the procurement of services.
- 5.2 **Policy:** A high-level written statement of philosophy issued by the VTA Board of Directors or General Manager used in governing the management of VTA.
- 5.3 **Procedure:** The documented practice(s) defining the who, what, and when of departmental, divisional, or VTA activities. It defines the step-by-step processes in a sequence of operations to accomplish a task and may flow through several functional work groups.

6.0 Summary of Changes:

Initial release of this Policy.

7.0 Approval Information:

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