Justification statement for the purchase of Electronic Control Devices (EDC)

The USDA Forest Service, Law Enforcement and Investigations Unit, wishes to purchase 700 handheld ECDs (Model X26E w/accessories) which are capable of using projectiles to deliver an incapacitating electronic charge. TASER International, Inc., Scottsdale Arizona, manufactures the ECD we wish to purchase.

Product description includes integrated laser sight, low-intensity lights, extended digital power magazine, and dataport download capability.

Currently TASER International, Inc. is the only ECD manufacturer that has the capabilities to deliver the charge via projectiles.