

**Report to / Rapport au:**

**OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD  
LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA**

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**SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF CONDUCTED ENERGY WEAPONS**

**OBJET: ACHAT D'ARMES À IMPULSIONS**

**REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That the Ottawa Police Services Board approve the sole source purchase of 70 Conducted Energy Weapons X2 model from M. D. Charlton Co. Ltd at a cost of \$123,157.**

**RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT**

**Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa approuve l'achat de 70 armes à impulsions x2 du fournisseur exclusif M.D. Charlton Co. Ltd, au coût de 123 157 \$.**

**BACKGROUND**

Police services in Ontario employing Conducted Energy Weapons (CEW) are required to purchase models sanctioned by the Ontario Ministry of Public Safety and Correctional Services. Currently, only models manufactured by TASER International are approved. The X2 and X26P models were authorized for use by the Ontario Ministry of Public Safety and Correctional Services in late 2014.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The budget provision to enable purchasing the devices has already been approved in the 2016 Budget.

The purchase is a sole source one, given that there is only one authorized supplier of TASER products. In accordance with the Board's Financial Accountability Procedures (FAP) Manual a sole source purchase which exceeds \$100,000 requires the approval of the Board.

Funding is available for this request in the Professional Development operating budget, specifically the equipment account.

Total Approved Budget	\$147,100
Expenditures to Date	0
Balance Available	147,100
This Request	123,157
Remaining Balance	\$23,943.

## **CONCLUSION**

CEWs are an approved and effective use of force option for police officers in Ontario. A practical lifecycle management plan was developed to ensure ready access to the devices, and to replace unserviceable units in a timely and fiscally responsible manner.

The OPS is carrying out that plan with the ultimate goal of enhancing public and officer safety.