

USM SSP 24\_002 Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase of 16 Miquis Hybrid Motion Capture Cameras.

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Comments/objections will be received as required per Section 31-7-13 (C) of the Mississippi Code until 8:00 a.m. (Central Time) on September 22, 2023.

Any person or entity that objects and proposes that the commodity listed is not sole source and can be provided by another person or entity shall submit a written notice to:

Steve Ballew

Director of Procurement & Contracts 118 College Dr. Box 5003 Hattiesburg, MS 39406

[bids@usm.edu](mailto:bids@usm.edu)

Phone: 601-266-4131

Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection USM SSP 24\_002"

The notice shall contain a detailed explanation of why the commodity is not a sole source procurement. Appropriate documentation shall also be submitted if applicable.

If after a review of the submitted notice and documents, USM determines that the commodity in the proposed sole source request can be provided by another person or entity, then USM will withdraw the sole source request publication from the procurement portal website and submit the procurement of the commodity to an advertised competitive bid or selection process.

If USM determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity, then USM will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board. USM will have the burden of proving that the commodity is only provided by one (1) source.

**Run Dates: 9/5, 9/12**

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The University of Southern Mississippi anticipates purchasing the item(s) listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase shall follow the procedures outlined below.

1. Description of the commodity that USM is seeking to procure:

**We are seeking to procure 16 Miquis Hybrid motion capture cameras, with the associated cables and mounting hardware, from Qualisys. These cameras allow for the dual recording of marker-based and markerless motion capture data to be recorded for the computation of human biomechanics.**

2. Explanation of why the commodity is the only one that meets the needs of the agency:

**The Miquis Hybrid motion capture cameras are the only cameras on the market that allow for the dual recording of marker-based and markerless motion capture data. As such, they fulfill the needs of the faculty; allowing for markerless motion capture data to be collected as part of NIH funded research, while also allowing for traditional marker-based motion capture to be recorded for other ongoing projects. In addition, these cameras are the only hybrid camera that will integrate with our existing Qualisys Track Man software.**

3. Explanation of why the source is the only source is the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity:

**Qualisys is the only company to bring the Miquis Hybrid camera to the market. There is no other company that makes a hybrid camera, or one that integrates with our exiting Qualisys Track Man software.**

4. Explanation of why the amount to be expended for the commodity is reasonable:

**The amount to be expended for these cameras is reasonable when compared to**

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**other markerless cameras on the market. In fact, in order to replicate the functionality of these cameras with another brand, we would need to spend substantially more money to individually purchase both maker-based and markerless based cameras plus the necessary cabling, mounting hardware, and operational software. Purchasing these hybrid cameras greatly reduces the cost necessary for us to complete our funded research.**

5. Efforts that the agency went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity:  
**In discussion with Qualisys, we have been able to negotiate an 8% educational discount, to reduce the overall cost of the software to the lowest possible price.**

<b>Advertisement Schedule</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> scheduled</b>	9/05/23
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> scheduled</b>	9/12/23

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