The University of Southern Mississippi

Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase

SSP 18_017

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: Repair parts and services for our Inert Atmosphere Glove Box/

   - Centering Ring with O-Ring, Alum NW40 Viton
   - O-Ring 400x8, NBR Perbunan 70 Shore A
   - O-Ring 103x3, NBR Perbunan 70 Shore A
   - Sieve Molecular 13x1/8 APG Pellet 1/8”
   - Catalyst Copper, Tablet size 5x3mm R3-11(G)
   - Centering Ring with Splinter Screen, 304 SST DN40
   - Gloves Size 9.75 Ambidextrous Dia 220mm L=800mm 0.4 Butyl
   - O-Ring 180x6, EPDM 70 Shore A, Glove O-Ring 8” Port
   - Filter Fine HEPA
   - MB-OX-SE1-PLC, O2 Analyzer
   - MB-MO-SE1, H2O Analyzer

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

   This item is unique from all others because it holds in an inert atmosphere whilst circulation the air inside the box over a catalyst to keep the air inside free from contaminants.
The University of Southern Mississippi

Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase

SSP 18_017

3. Explanation of why the source is the only source is the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity: **MBraun is the only service/parts provider for this piece of equipment. This service is not currently available through other service companies.**

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

**Funding to cover the necessary repairs on this piece of equipment is covered through our current DURIP Grant.**

5. Efforts that the agency went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity:

**A search was conducted for other companies that could provide these parts and service for the equipment, but none were located outside MBraun.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Advertisement Schedule</th>
<th>Date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1st scheduled</td>
<td>6/14/18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2nd scheduled</td>
<td>6/21/18</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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
Steve.ballew@usm.edu

**Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection"**

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 University of Southern Mississippi  
Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase  
SSP 18_017  

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.