

Office of Purchasing and Travel
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Jackson State University Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase SSP23-14 RFx 3150004805

Jackson State University anticipates purchasing the item listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase shall follow the procedures outlined below.

Product Overview:

The product to be purchased is provided by <u>Anatomage Inc.</u> who is the inventor and manufacturer of The Anatomage Table- a 3D interactive, virtual dissection table manufactured and distributed exclusively from Anatomage Inc in San Jose CA. This product is a Virtual Dissection Tablet, a compact and more cost-efficient version of the table, that utilizes the imaging of real human cadavers. No other products are compatible with the Anatomage Table or tablet and the purchase of the Anatomage VR Tablet cannot be made from any other vendor.

Explanation of need to be fulfilled by this item, how it is unique from all other options, and why it is the only one that can meet the specific needs of the department:

The Anatomage Tablet is a cost-effective learning solution with 3D visualization technology. The Anatomage Tablet offers the most accurate learning data made for accredited anatomy and physiology programs.

Name of company selling the item and why that source is the only possible source that can provide:

This product is sold exclusively by Anatomage Inc. The Anatomage Table Application, installed on the Anatomage table and the Anatomage VR Tablet is manufactured exclusively from Anatomage, Inc. No other products are compatible with the Anatomage Tablet and the purchase of this tablet cannot be made from any other vendor.

Estimated cost of item and explanation of why the amount to be expended is considered reasonable:

The Anatomage VR Tablet sales price of \$2,600 in comparison the to the Anatomage Table which ranges from \$38-100,000 is an extreme cost savings. JSU hopes to buy 4 tablets for a total cost of \$10,400.

Explanation of the efforts taken by the department to determine that this is the only source and efforts used to obtain the best possible price:

- With departmental need at front of mind, faculty researched the marketplace and found that this equipment is the only one that will adequately meet the needs for the University's Anatomy and Physiology programs and Anatomage is the only source for this product.
- Office of Purchasing and Travel searched DFA for item and vendor to no avail. Also searched web for alternate vendors to no avail as all listings of the product linked to Anatomage as the primary source/vendor for virtual reality dissection for the entire human body.

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:

Laura Furdge, CMPA
Special Projects Coordinator
Laura.R.Furdge@jsums.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, JSU determines that the commodity in the proposed sole source request can be provided by another person or entity, then JSU 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 JSU determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity, then JSU will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board. JSU will have the burden of proving that the commodity is only provided by one (1) source.