**Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source**

**To:** Interested Parties

**From:** Dr. Paul Veregge

 CIO/CMIO

**Date:** January 3, 2019

**Re:** Sole Source Certification Number **SS9127** for Connect Technology

**Contact Email Address:** solesource@umc.edu

**Sole Source Certification Award Details**

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number **SS9127** for Interface development between Epic and HumMod, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the Interface development between Epic and HumModto **Connect Technology, LLC** as the sole source provider of the Interface development between Epic and HumMod.

UMMC issues this notice in accordance with Mississippi state law, policy, and procedures for sole source procurements.

Sole Source Criteria

1. Where the compatibility of equipment, accessories, or replacement parts is the paramount consideration (and manufacturer is the sole supplier).
2. Where a sole supplier’s item is needed for trial use or testing.
3. Where a sole supplier’s item is to be required when no other item will service the needs of UMMC.

**Schedule**

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| **Task** | **Date** |
| First Advertisement Date | January 9, 2019 |
| Second Advertisement Date | January 16, 2019 |
| Response Deadline from Objectors | January 24, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time |
| Notice of Award/No Award Posted | Not before January 24, 2019 |

**Project Details**

1. **Describe the commodity/service that the agency/institution is seeking to procure:**

Connect Technology will be developing the interface between HumMod, a software product developed at UMMC and licensed to HC Simulation, and EPIC, the electronic health record. The combination of EPIC/HumMod is a training environment for health care students, medical nursing and pharmacy. Connect Technology has already spent 510 hours working on this project in 2017. Connect Technology has the expertise to complete this in a timely manner.

1. **Explain why the commodity/service is the only one (1) that can meet the needs of the agency/institution:**

Connect Technology has been working with HC Simulation, LLC (license holder of HumMod) for the last 4 years to develop a server version of HumMod. Connect Technology has the expertise to complete, in conjunction with DIS, the project as described in the attached document. Connect Technology will extend the current server based software to meet the design specifications needed for managing patients and creating the interface with EPIC.

1. **Explain why the source is the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity/service:**

There is no other educational product available for continuity of care training. HumMod is the most advanced physiological model ever created. Connect Technology has an understanding of the current program and the technologies needed to link HumMod to EPIC. On a previous contract Connect Technology provide ~500 hours of development work. The work was not completed due to DIS roll-out of EPIC18.

The software development services from Connect for UMMC & HC Simulation are not resold through any resellers and are not available from any other vendors. See supporting letter from Connect Technology, LLC, Attachment A.

1. **Explain why the amount to be expended for the commodity/service is reasonable:**

The estimated amount to be expended is for the purchase of the interface development between Epic and HumModis **$27,360.00**. This amount is within the expected price range for these products.

1. **Describe the efforts that the agency/institution went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity/service:**

Through market intelligence, UMMC was able to negotiate best pricing for these products. All applicable discounts were explored and applied.

**Submission Instructions and Format of Response from Objecting Parties**

Interested parties who have reason to believe that the Interface development between Epic and Hummod**,**  (hereafter, “Products”) should not be certified as a sole source should provide information in the Vendor Form for the State to use in determining whether or not to proceed with awarding the sole source to Connect Technology, LLC. The Vendor Form may be found at <http://www.dfa.state.ms.us/Purchasing/documents/ObjectiontoSoleSourceDetermination.pdf>.

Objections must include the certification in Attachment B.

Comments will be accepted at any time prior to Thursday, January 24, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. (Central Time) to solesource@umc.edu. Responses may be delivered via email to solesource@umc.edu. UMMC WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DELAYS IN THE DELIVERY OF RESPONSES. It is solely the responsibility of the Interested Parties that responses reach UMMC on time. Responses received after the deadline and responses that lack all required information will be rejected. UMMC reserves the right to inspect Interested Party’s commodity for comparison purposes.

If you have any questions concerning the information above or if we can be of further assistance, please contact solesource@umc.edu.

Attachment A: Vendor Correspondence

Attachment B: Objection Certification

Attachment B

**SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO**

**Sole Source Certification No. SS9127**

**Accepted until Thursday, January 24, 2019, at 3:00 p.m.**

I certify that the information contained in this objection is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that UMMC will investigate all statements made in this objection and that any false or misleading information provided may result in adverse action.

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Objector Name

Objector’s title

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