**Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source**

**To:** Interested Parties

**From:** Dr. Paul Veregge

 CIO/CMIO

**Date: January 14, 2019**

**Re:** Sole Source Certification Number **SS9132** for In-Part

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

**Sole Source Certification Award Details**

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number **SS9132** for In-Part, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the In-Partto In-Part Publishing Limited as the

sole source provider of the In-Part.

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 17, 2019 |
| Second Advertisement Date | January 25, 2019 |
| Response Deadline from Objectors | February 1, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time |
| Notice of Award/No Award Posted | Not before January 29, 2018 |

**Project Details**

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

In-Part promotes and strategically matches research collaboration and commercialization opportunities from university technology transfer offices (TTOs), to an exclusive network of senior decision makers from over 4000 companies, Performed via a unique online platform enabling industry users to review , manage, feedback and contact universities about their opportunities, The system is designed with the key drivers from both TTOs and corporate R&D teams in min, making the connection process simple and efficient for commercializing academic research.

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

In-Part provides direct and in-direct marketing of Intellectual Property and research technologies, response of in-licensing of technology to companies, out-licensing of Intellectual Property, personalized contacts, funding for innovation and product development, proof-of concept and technology transfer.

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

In-Part provides a two-way approach for marketing and licensing of Intellectual Property and research technologies ot the global net of companies that include 40 out of the 50 leading R&D spenders.

In 2017, the network included 5, 487 companies and 8, 279 enngaged decision-makers for personal one-on-one interactions from the large and small companies and also includes 118 universities in 6 contieents,

Early Success: From In-Part outreacj program, UMMC is currently working with a Japanese company interested in licensing Intellectual Property for therapeutic-drug.

In-Part can only be purchased directly from In-Part Publishing Limited.

They are not available from any other distributor. See supporting letter from In-Part Publishing Limited 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 In-Partis **$10,000.00**. 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 In-Part**,**  (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 In-Part Publishing Limited. 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 Friday, February 2, 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. SS9132**

**Accepted until Friday, February 2, 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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