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Alcorn State University anticipates purchasing the item (s) listed below as a sole source purchase.

SSP# 2024-03 IBM SPSS Software

Anyone objecting to this purchase as a sole source shall follow the link below for further instructions:

https://www.ms.gov/dfa/contract_bid_search/Bid under RFX #3150005500

Interested Parties who have reason to believe that the item (s) above should not be certified as a sole source should respond in accordance with instructions found at the link above no later than Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 2:00 pm central standard time.

Questions and/or paper letter related to the notice should be submitted to:

Mertha George
Purchasing Agent
Alcorn State University
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Alcorn State University
Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase
SSP# 2024-03
RFx 3150005500

Alcorn State University anticipates purchasing the services/products listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase shall follow the procedures outlined below.

1. Commodity or commodities to be purchased (make, model, description):

IBM SPSS Statistics Standard Campus Edition Campus Value Unit Term License
Subscription and Support 12 Months

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

This Statistics software is needed for proper instruction in the following areas: 1. Department of Education; 2. School of Nursing 3. School of Agriculture 4. Advance Technologies

3. Name of company/individual selling the item and why that source is the only possible source that can provide the required item(s):

International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) They are the manufacturer of the software and the only company that can sell it.

4. Estimated cost of item(s) and an explanation why the amount to be expended is considered reasonable:

The cost of item(s) is \$10,800.00 for the remaining 6 months. The total cost for 1 year is \$21,600.

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

CITS has requested a quote from 4 different vendors supplied by the MS EPL. All contacted vendors stated that they were not able to supply the software.

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

Mertha George

Purchasing Agent

mgeorge@alcorn.edu

Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection"

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

If after a review of the submitted notice and documents, ASU determines that the services/products in the proposed sole source request can be provided by another person or entity, then ASU 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 ASU determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity, then ASU will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board. ASU will have the burden of proving that the services/products are only provided by one (1) source.