SOLE SOURCE INFORMATION

1. Question: What commodity is the agency seeking to procure?

Answer: The Materials Division of the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) is seeking to procure various parts and attachments for a Geoprobe Drill -3126GT .

2. Question: Why is this commodity the only one that can meet the needs of the agency?

Answer: The parts and attachments of the Geoprobe Drill-3126GT will be used by the Materials Division to investigate bridge foundations and slope failures.

3. Question: Why is the source the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity?

Answer: The Geoprobe Drill-3126GT was awarded to Geoprobe via a competitive sealed bid. Geoprobe is the only manufacturer of these parts and attachments and does not sell to any distributors.

4. Question: Why is the amount to be expended for these commodities reasonable?

Answer: The amount to be expended for the parts and attachments is quoted by Geoprobe. This amount is felt to be reasonable for the quote given to MDOT.

5. Question: What did the agency do to obtain the best possible price for the commodities?

Answer: The agency is running an ad in the local newspaper and entered an RFIN into the MAGIC portal to obtain as much information as possible on the availability and pricing of the item in question. The agency also negotiated with the vendor to obtain the best price possible for the parts and attachments for the Geoprobe Drill-3126GT.

6. Questions: Who needs to be contacted if a person or entity wants to object to this sole source procurement?

Answer: Anyone wishing to protest this sole source procurement should give a detailed explanation on the Objection to Sole Source Determination (OSS} form that is attached in this RFIN as to why the commodity is not a sole source procurement and should notify the following:

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