**Mississippi Department of Revenue**

**Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase**

**RFx # 3150005604**

The Mississippi Department of Revenue anticipates entering into an agreement for Decal Stickers with 3M for Validation Security Sheeting with Ensure Image Series™ and Equipment for the Motor Vehicle Division located at 500 Clinton Center Drive in Clinton, MS as a sole source procurement. Anyone objecting to this procurement shall follow the procedure outlined below.

1. Service/Material to be purchased:

**Decal Stickers with 3M Validation Security Sheeting with Ensure Image Series ™ and Equipment for the Motor Vehicle Division located at 500 Clinton Center Drive in Clinton, MS.**

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1. What is the personal or professional service offered in the contract?

**The decals and materials are printed at DOR and mailed to various counties to use for county code decals to place on license plates that are issued by the county. DOR also uses these decals to place on temporary tags for Heavy Trucks.**

1. An explanation of why the personal or professional service is the only one that can meet the needs of the agency.

**The suggested system is comprised of several components: equipment (Zebra printers and workstations) and software under the terms of an equipment bailment agreement, validation security stickers, thermal transfer ribbons, warranty, and service. When used together these components allow agencies to create validation stickers with printed variable data on them that meet agency durability and performance requirements. No other personal or professional service in which quote requests for decals that have been issued in the past have not been able to provide the security sheeting and durability of decals provided by 3M.**

1. An explanation of why the source is the only person or entity that can provide the required personal or professional service.

**The 3M VP5000 validation materials are manufactured by 3M in facilities wholly owned and operated by 3M Company.**

1. The efforts the agency made to obtain the best possible price for the personal or professional service.

**Quotes were issued to a total of five (5) different vendors that were likely able to provide the services. 3M was the only vendor to respond to the Request for Quote. We requested additional Request for Quotes with no success.**

**Sole Source Objection Procedures**

Comments/objections will be received until 2:00 p.m. (Central Time) on April 18, 2024.

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

Nyla Kendrick

Procurement Officer

nyla.kendrick@dor.ms.gov

**Subject Line must read "Sole Source Objection"**

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

If after a review of the submitted notice and documents, DOR determines the service can be provided by another person or entity, DOR will withdraw the sole source publication. The procurement will then be submitted to an advertised competitive bid or selection process.

If DOR determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required service, DOR will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board. DOR will have the burden of proving that the service is only provided by one (1) source.