

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source

SS 291

The University of Mississippi (UM) anticipates purchasing the item(s) listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase as a sole source shall follow the procedures outlined below.

Commodity or commodities to be purchased (manufacturer, model, description):

Blue Box Air, LLC Enzymes and Application Equipment

The need to be fulfilled by this item(s) and why it is the only one that can meet the specific needs of the department:

Blue Box Air, LLC Enzyme Coil Treatment process for cleaning HVAC air handler unit (AHU) coils with no interruption in operation includes enzymes and application Blue Boxes. This patented enzyme & application process uses foam enzymes only, no pressure or excess water, and is applied with no downtime to the AHU's. It cleans & disinfects coils for improved CFM air flow and, thus, improved indoor air quality.

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

The Blue Box enzyme product and application equipment is a patented process to which we have found no comparison in the market. The enzymes and application equipment are only sold directly by Blue Box Air, LLC.

Why the amount to be expended for the commodity is reasonable:

The cost for product and application equipment for a self-performed application program will cover 1,500,000 SF/CFM or approximately 25% of AHU's in E&G buildings per year for a 4-year cleaning cycle. This cost equates to just pennies per SF/CFM.

Efforts that the agency went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity:

Ole Miss FM negotiated with Blue Box Air for over a year to create a self-performed service model to deliver this service. This is now what we are purchasing.

Submission Instructions and Format of Response from Objecting Parties:

Interested parties who have reason to believe that the item(s) above should not be certified as a sole source should provide information in the following format for UM to

use in determining whether or not to proceed with awarding the Sole Source purchase.

1.1 Interested Party Information

1.1.1 Contact Name, Phone Number, Address and email address

1.1.2 Company Website URL, if applicable

1.2 Objection to Sole Source Certification

1.2.1 Interested parties must present specific objections to the Sole Source certification using the criteria listed above.

1.2.2 A statement regarding the Interested Party's capabilities as related to this Sole Source Certification Request.

1.3 Comments will be accepted at any time prior to Monday, October 17, 2022 at 10:00 am (Central Time) to Katherine Jones at kajones4@olemiss.edu (with Cc: to purchase@olemiss.edu) at The University of Mississippi Procurement Services Department, 164 Jeanette Phillips Drive, PO Box 1848, University, Mississippi 38677. Responses may be delivered by hand, via regular mail, overnight delivery, or e-mail. The envelope or email should reference the sole source number. UM WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DELAYS IN THE DELIVERY OF RESPONSES. It is solely the responsibility of the Interested Parties that responses reach UM on time. Interested Parties may contact Katherine Jones to verify the receipt of their Responses. Responses received after the deadline will be rejected.

If after a review of the submitted notice and documents, UM determines that the commodity in the proposed sole source request can be provided by another person or entity, then UM will withdraw the sole source certification and submit the procurement of the commodity to an advertised competitive bid or selection process.

If UM determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity, then UM will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board for approval to purchase.