

Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source

To: Interested Parties

From: Ellen Swoger
CIO, Applications

Date: October 18, 2022

Re: Sole Source Certification Number 9524 Computrition Software Maintenance

Contact Email Address: solesource@umc.edu

Sole Source Certification Award Details

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number 9524 for Computrition Software Maintenance, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the Computrition Software Maintenance to Computrition, Inc. as the sole source provider. Computrition, Inc. does not authorize any other entity to sell, support, train, or provide maintenance for this software. 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

Task	Date
First Advertisement Date	October 24, 2022
Second Advertisement Date	October 31, 2022
Response Deadline from Objectors	November 7, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. Central Time
Notice of Award/No Award Posted	Not before November 7, 2022

Project Details

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

Computrition provides food service automation through software systems which optimize food, nutrition and retail operations; Compliance with physician diet orders; and patient safety from an allergy and dysphagia perspective. Computrition offers a proprietary software package that includes food service operations, management, nutritional care management/automated diet office and point of sale functionality.

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

Computrition is the software used for feeding UMMC patients. Only Computrition can provide maintenance support for this software. This software allows the Clinical Nutrition Manager to program logic/rules for each diet as well as nutrient limits and food allergies. This software ensures compliance with all physician ordered diets for each patient. This Software functionality is developed, tested, owned and maintained by Computrition, Inc.

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

Computrition, Inc. does not authorize any other entity to sell, support, train, or provide maintenance for this software. See supporting letter from Computrition, Inc, Attachment A.

4. Explain why the amount to be expended for the commodity/service is reasonable:

The estimated amount to be expended is for the purchase of Computrition Software Maintenance is **\$31,684.85, for eight months**. Please be advised that UMMC will determine if additional enhancements, upgrades, support, or equipment are within scope during the certification period and may increase the spending authority accordingly. Should Computrition, Inc change their name during this certification period, then UMMC will determine if a recertification is necessary. This amount is within the expected price range for these products.

5. 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 Computrition Software Maintenance 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 Computrition, Inc.

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 Monday, November 7, 2022 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. SS 9524

Accepted until Monday, November 7, 2022 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.

Objector Name

Objector's title