# Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source

#### **To:** Interested Parties

From: Alfred D. Faulk III, Applications Officer Date: January 25, 2024

Re:Sole Source Certification Number 9624 AS OnlineContact Email Address:solesource@umc.edu

#### **Sole Source Certification Award Details**

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number 9624 for AS Online, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the Ultrasound Reporting and Image Management System, AS Online, to AS software, LLC, as the sole authorized provider of licensing and support for AS Online Ultrasound Reporting and Image Management System.

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	February 2, 2024
Second Advertisement Date	February 9, 2024
Response Deadline from Objectors	February 16, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.
	Central Time
Notice of Award/No Award Posted	Not before February 16, 2024

## **Project Details**

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

UMMC currently utilizes AS-OBGYN as our Ultrasound Reporting and Image Management System. We are procuring software licensing and services to upgrade and convert to AS Online.

AS Online provides management of ultrasound information and images. It enables remote review, modification and the ability to electronically sign and finalize reports. The product enables providers to automatically fax a report with embedded images and growth analysis to referring physicians while simultaneously transmitting a copy to the patient's healthcare information system for storage.

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

The AS Online Ultrasound Reporting and Image Management System is unique from others in that is uses an ultrasound reporting and image management system designed for women's healthcare and tailored for maternal fetal medicine.

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

AS Software is the developer and manufacturer of AS Online Ultrasound Reporting and Image Management System and is the sole provider of support for this product. See supporting letter from AS Software, LLC, Attachment A.

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

The estimated amount to be expended for the purchase and continued support of AS Software AS Online Ultrasound Reporting and Image Management System is estimated to be **\$202,975.00 for three years**. 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 AS Software, LLC 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:

Pricing is compared against available market intelligence and identified discounts are pursued where applicable.

## Submission Instructions and Format of Response from Objecting Parties

Interested parties who have reason to believe that AS Cloud (hereafter, "Products") 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 AS Software, LLC. 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 Friday, February 16, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. (Central Time) to <u>solesource@umc.edu</u>. Responses may be delivered via email to <u>solesource@umc.edu</u>. 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 <u>solesource@umc.edu</u>.

Attachment A: Vendor Correspondence Attachment B: Objection Certification Attachment B

# SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO

Sole Source Certification No. SS 9623

Accepted until Friday, February 16, 2024 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