**Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source**

**To:** Interested Parties

**From:** Dr. Paul Veregge

CIO/CMIO

**Date:** 2/1/2018

**Re:** Sole Source Certification Number **SS009043**

**Contact Email Address:** [solesource@umc.edu](mailto:solesource@umc.edu)

**Sole Source Certification Award Details**

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number **SS009043 Vendor Risk Assessment,** please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the **Vendor Risk Assessment,** to **CORL technologies** as the sole source provider of **Vendor Risk Assessment.**

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**

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| **Task** | **Date** |
| First Advertisement Date | February 7, 2018 |
| Second Advertisement Date | February 14, 2018 |
| Response Deadline from Objectors | February 21, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time |
| Notice of Award/No Award Posted | Not before February 23, 2018 |

**Project Details**

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

Annual risk ranking of all UMMC vendors that provide a cloud or hosted solution to UMMC as part of their solution (application). Target risk assessments of potential or existing UMMC vendors that provide a cloud or hosted solution. Perpetual monitoring of UMMC vendors for breaches and major security events. Quarterly report/dashboard.

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

Fulfillment of a Corrective Action Plan requirement for the OCR

Enhanced security through UMMC, not just DIS

Evaluation of contracts to determine level at which UMMC is vulnerable

Establishment of new procurement workflows to evaluate vendors pre-contract

Reporting structure to alert Legal, Compliance, Contracts and DIS

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

The CORL-develop algorithm used in its risk assessments is unique to the industry. CROL is the only vendor risk management entity dedicated to healthcare. CORL not only evaluates, it provides mitigation strategies. CORL monitors vendors 24/7 for breaches and other impactful events. CORL provides an annual risk rating of site specific (UMMC) vendors at no charge.

See supporting letter from **CORL Technologies**, Attachment A.

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

The estimated amount to be expended is for the purchase of the **Vendor Risk Assessment** is $98,250.00. This amount is within the expected price range for these products.

1. **Describe the efforts that the institution/agency 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 the **Vendor Risk Assessment** (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 to **CORL Technologies.** 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 **Wednesday, February 21, at 3:00 p.m**. (Central Time) to [solesource@umc.edu](mailto:solesource@umc.edu). Responses may be delivered via email to [solesource@umc.edu](mailto: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](mailto:solesource@umc.edu).

Attachment A: Vendor Correspondence

Attachment B: Objection Certification

Attachment B

**SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO**

**Sole Source Certification No. SS009043**

**Accepted until Wednesday, February 21, 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.

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Objector Name

Objector’s title

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