

Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source

To: Interested Parties

From: Jennifer Douglas
Administrative Director, Category Management and Procurement

Date: September 1, 2023

Re: Sole Source Certification Number **SS5807** for **Individually Ventilated Disposable Cages (IVC) and all related accessories**

Contact Email Address: solesource@umc.edu

Sole Source Certification Award Details

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number **SS5807** for IVC Disposable Cages and all related accessories, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase to Innovive, LLC as the sole source provider.

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	September 18, 2023
Second Advertisement Date	September 25, 2023
Response Deadline from Objectors	October 2, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. Central Time
Notice of Award/No Award Posted	Not before October 9, 2023

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

The University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) seeks to purchase six (6) Individually Ventilated Disposable Cages along with all related accessories for use in the Research setting

2. An explanation of why the commodity is the only one that can meet the needs of UMMC.

Innovive is the only company that manufactures a disposable IVC rack and cage system that has ports on the top of the cages. This configuration allows for the ventilation from the top-front of the cage through to the rear-top of the cage allowing a more efficient and gentler air flow.

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

Innovive LLC is the sole manufacturer and supplier of the V3.5 Innorack double sided mouse rack. They are not available from any other distributor. See supporting letter from Innovive, LLC., Attachment A.

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

The estimated annual amount to be expended for the purchase of the Innovive LLC is \$12,000.00. This amount is within the expected price range for these products.

5. Describe the efforts that the agency went through to obtain the best possible price for the commodity:

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 the Innovive LLC, (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 Innovive 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 October 2, 2023, 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 A



August 23, 2023

Innovive Disposable Caging System



Sole sourcing description of product

Innovive provides the world's first single-use, fully disposable/recyclable HEPA filtered individually ventilated caging system for rodents. Intended for any commercial or NPO research organization that performs animal research. By eliminating the need to co-locate costly washing and sterilization equipment with the animals, organizations are free to introduce fully functional animal research anywhere they need it. A highly sophisticated, easy to operate ventilation system assures the animals will enjoy a low-stress environment free from drafts, noise and vibration. Vivarium employees benefit from the clear, convenient, lightweight ergonomic (patented) design. Organizations achieve significant savings from lower facility build-out cost, lower capital equipment costs and lower total cost of operations.



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Less Washing, More Science

Attachment B

**SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO
Sole Source Certification No. SS5807
Accepted until October 2, 2023 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

Date