**Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source**

**To:** Interested Parties

**From:** Dr. Paul Veregge

 CIO/CMIO

**Date:** June 6, 2018, 2018

**Re:** **Sole Source Certification Number SS9074 Patch Manager**

**Contact Email Address:** solesource@umc.edu

**Sole Source Certification Award Details**

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number **SS9074** for **Patch Manager**, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of the **Patch Manager** to **Five Points Infrastructure Services, LLC** as the sole source provider of the **Patch Manager**.

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 | June 11, 2018 |
| Second Advertisement Date | June 18, 2018 |
| Response Deadline from Objectors | June 25, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time |
| Notice of Award/No Award Posted | Not before June 25, 2018 |

**Project Details**

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

PATCH MANAGER is a versatile Connectivity and Asset Management Software Solution, provided by Patchmanager B.V. that can be deployed as a Physical Layer Management System, Cable Management System, Fiber Management System, Power Distribution Management System, Inv System and Design.

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

This software will allow us to GPS map all of our underground fiber runs so that we can provide Physical Facilities or Contractors with the coordinates of underground cabling. This will lessen the risk of cut or damaged cables when construction projects are close to or on top of underground cabling.

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

The product will document our cabling down to single strands of fiber or copper, plus it will provide the GPS coordinates of each run of fiber/copper through manholes/hand holes and underground conduit.

They are not available from any other distributor. See supporting letter from **Five Points Infrastructure Services, LLC.**  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 **Patch Manager** is **$11,443.00.** Total investment to-date will be **$11,443.00.** This amount is within the expected price range for these products.

1. **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 the **Patch Manager** (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 **Five Points Infrastructure Services, 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 **Monday, June 25, 2018, 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. SS9074**

**Accepted until Monday, June 25, 2018, 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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