

# Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source

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**To:** Interested Parties

**From:** Ellen Swoger  
CIO, Applications

**Date:** 3/6/2023

**Re:** Sole Source Certification Number 9553 Software to Electronically Document Radiopharmaceuticals

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

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## Sole Source Certification Award Details

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification Number 9553 for Software to Electronically Document Radiopharmaceuticals please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of Software to Electronically Document Radiopharmaceuticals, Pinestar Nuclear Isotope Tracking Systems Software, to NuMedRx Pharmacy Solutions 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	March 13, 2023
Second Advertisement Date	March 20, 2023
Response Deadline from Objectors	March 27, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time

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

Pinestar Nuclear Isotope Tracking Systems Software (Pinestar NITS) is used to document all nuclear medicine daily functions. We put patient information, radiopharmaceutical administration, all procedure names, all isotopes that are used, keeps up with radiation surveys and wipe tests, keeps up with active sealed sources, daily receipt, and disposal of radiopharmaceuticals, and can create reports. The software has a calendar that allows us to put patient information in ahead of time to document a special dose has been ordered. The software has a multitude of functions that help the Nuclear Medicine Department through its daily activities.

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

NuMed Rx is the sole provider for the software that supports the purchase of radiopharmaceuticals for the Nuclear Medicine Department at UMMC. This is a renewal of the software that is currently in use at UMMC.

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

Pinestar Nuclear Isotope Tracking Systems Software (Pinestar) is proprietary in nature and can only be licensed from NuMedRx. See supporting letter from NuMedRx Pharmacy Solutions, 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 Pinestar NITS is **\$75,000.00 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 NuMedRx Pharmacy Solutions, 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:**

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 Pinestar NITS (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 NuMedRx Pharmacy Solutions, 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, March 27, 2023, 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. SS9553**

**Accepted until Monday, March 27, 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.

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Objector Name

Objector's title