

Notice of Intent to Certify Sole Source

To: Interested Parties

From: Ellen Swoger
CIO, Applications

Date: 3/24/2023

Re: Sole Source Certification Number **SS9560** Software for Data Acquisition and Analysis of Research Equipment

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Sole Source Certification Award Details

Regarding UMMC Sole Source Certification **SS9560** Software for Data Acquisition and Analysis of Research Equipment, please be advised that UMMC intends to award the purchase of Software for Data Acquisition and Analysis of Research Equipment, Lab Chart 8 Pro Software, to ADInstruments, Inc. as the sole source provider of Lab Chart 8 Pro Software. It is the only software that is compatible with and recommended by the DMT company, from which UMMC purchased the wire myography equipment.

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 30, 2023
Second Advertisement Date	April 6, 2023

Response Deadline from Objectors	April 13, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time
Notice of Award/No Award Posted	Not before April 13, 2023

Project Details

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

Lab Chart 8 pro Software will be used for data acquisition (DAQ) and analysis. It has the ability to connect to and stream data from specific hardware devices manufactured. The manufacturers of these devices and specific equipment include:

- Danish Myo Technology (DMT)
- Data Sciences International (DSI)
- Delsys Inc.
- Equivital Inc.
- Kent Scientific Corporation
- Nintendo Wii Balance Board
- Oxford Optonix

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

LabChart physiological data analysis software creates a platform for all of our recording devices to work together, allowing Research to acquire biological signals from multiple sources simultaneously and apply advanced calculations and plots as our experiment unfolds. It is the only software that is compatible with and recommended by the DMT company, from which UMMC purchased the wire myography equipment. This product is not available from any other distributors or sellers.

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

The PowerLab data acquisition systems, LabChart 8 software, associated software analysis modules, and other equipment, have a number of features other competing data acquisition systems cannot match. See supporting letter from ADInstruments, Inc., 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 of LabChart 8 software is \$25,245.00, 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 ADInstruments, 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 the Clinical Radiology Services (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 ADInstruments, 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, April 10, 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 B

SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO

Sole Source Certification No. SS9560

Accepted until Thursday, April 13, 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