

SOLE SOURCE INFORMATION

1. Question: What commodity is the agency seeking to procure?

Answer: MDOT is seeking to procure an agency contract for the purchase of Visilok drying additive for high-build traffic paint.

2. Question: Why is this commodity the only one that can meet the needs of the agency?

Answer: This product is the only drying additive that significantly reduces the drying time for high-build traffic paint. The reduced drying time allows for increased paint thickness and increases life cycle of the paint. It also allows for increased productivity by negating the need for traffic cones in the painted zones due to the shorter drying time.

3. Question: Why is the source the only person or entity that can provide the required commodity?

Answer: This commodity is a patent pending technology and is only available from one manufacturer. This manufacturer sells directly and does not use distributors.

4. Question: Why is the amount to be expended for these commodities reasonable?

Answer: The amount to be expended for this commodity will be for an agency contract that will be for a fixed length of time. This amount is felt to be reasonable for the terms of the contract.

5. Question: What did the agency do to obtain the best possible price for the commodities?

Answer: The agency is running an ad in the local newspaper and entered an RFIN into the MAGIC portal to obtain as much information as possible on the availability and pricing of the items in question. The agency also negotiated with the vendor to obtain the best price possible for the commodities.

6. Questions: Who needs to be contacted if a person or entity wants to object to this sole source procurement?

Answer: Anyone wishing to protest this sole source procurement should give a detailed explanation on the Objection to Sole Source Determination (OSS) form that is attached in this RFIN as to why the commodity is not a sole source procurement and should notify the following:

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